

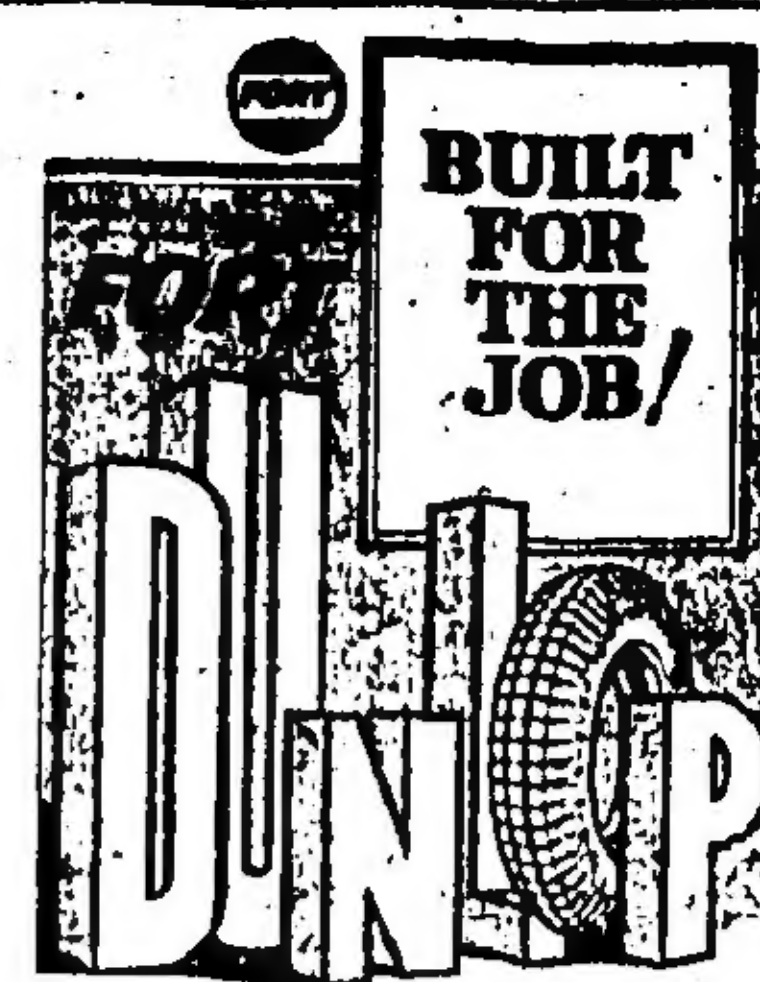
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ATTEMPT ON LIFE OF JAPAN'S PRIME MINISTER.

SHOT BY ASSAILANT
AT STATION.

SERIOUS BULLET WOUND IN
STOMACH.

HOPE FOR RECOVERY.

Tokyo, Nov. 14.
A dastardly attempt to assassinate Mr. Yugo Hamaguchi, the Prime Minister, was made this morning by a youthful extremist. Mr. Hamaguchi received a bullet wound in the stomach and his condition is serious, though after an examination of the wound physicians have declared the Premier's chances of recovery to be good.

It appears that Mr. Hamaguchi was at the railway station, enroute for Okayama, to attend the Annual Grand Manoeuvres which begin to-day, when his assailant opened fire, a bullet striking him in the stomach.

He fell to the ground and his assailant was arrested before he had time to fire a second shot.

Anxiety Relieved.

Some anxiety was felt at first, but the report of the doctors appears to be reassuring.

It was later learned that the Prime Minister's assailant was only twenty-three years of age. His name is Tomoe Sugaya and he is a member of a reactionary organisation, the Aikokusha, or the Patriotic Association.

The attempted assassination was apparently due to Sugaya's or his organisation's belief that the Premier's economic policy was responsible for the present economic depression in Japan.

Premier's Career.

Mr. Hamaguchi, who is the leader of the Minseitō (Progressive) Party, assumed the Premiership on the collapse of the Tanaka Ministry in July last year, and his policy was endorsed by the electorate in February last year when a General Election was held. He is a Parliamentarian of long standing, being Junior Secretary to the Finance Department as long ago as 1915, and Vice-Minister of Communications in 1912. He was also Minister of Finance in the Shidehara Government.

Blood Transfusion.

Later.

The doctors have resorted to a transfusion of blood in order to obviate the Premier's weakness from loss of blood.

His second son, supplying the blood.

Reuter.

DEATH OF MRS. T. M. GREGORY.

PASSES AWAY AT VICTORIA HOSPITAL.

News of the death of Mrs. Gregory, wife of Mr. T. M. Gregory, of Messrs. Gregory and Co., which occurred at the Victoria Hospital early this morning, will come as a great shock to the deceased lady's numerous friends.

INDUSTRIAL RIOTS IN PERU.

AMERICAN ENGINEER SAID
BEHEADED.

BRITISH MILL DISPUTE.

Serious trouble has broken out in Peru as the result of a dispute in a British-owned cotton mill which has caused a general strike in many centres. So serious has the situation become that martial law has been declared in several places. There have been many deaths, and one American engineer is said to have been beheaded by the strikers. The news is contained in the following telegram:

Lima, Nov. 13.
A dispute between masters and men in a British-owned cotton mill here has caused a general strike throughout the principal industrial centres of Peru.

Martial law has been proclaimed in several places, and British and American refugees are pouring into Lima.

It is reported that ferocious armed encounters have occurred, and that at least a dozen workmen have been killed, as well as a score seriously injured.

One American engineer had his head beheaded, and another is said to have been beheaded by the strikers.

Reuter's American Service.

NOBEL PRIZE FOR PHYSICS.

NOTED INDIAN PROFESSOR HONOURED.

Stockholm, Nov. 13.
The Nobel Prize for Physics has been awarded to Sir Chandrasekhara Venkata Raman, the Palit Professor of Physics at Calcutta University whose publications include Unsymmetrical Diffraction Bands due to oblique light Apertures, Maintenance of Simple and Compound Oscillations by Variable Spring, Molecular Diffraction of Light, and Theory of Musical Instruments.

Reuter.

MRS. BRUCE OFF TO SHANGHAI.

DEPARTURE FROM AMOY THIS MORNING.

Amoy, Nov. 14.

The Hon. Mrs. Victor Bruce took off for Shanghai at 6 o'clock this morning.

She will possibly land at Hangchow if progress is rendered slow by the monsoon.

Reuter.

ARTIFICIAL SILK COMBINE.

BREAKDOWN OF GERMAN ARRANGEMENT.

Cologne, Nov. 13.

The Acetate Artificial Silk Convention has virtually dissolved, following the action of certain companies in lowering their prices ten per cent. below those of the Convention.

Reuter.

AMERICAN ACTION ON EXTRALITY.

PROPOSALS SUBMITTED TO NANKING.

Washington, Nov. 13.

The United States has submitted proposals to the Nanking Government for the gradual relinquishment of extraterritoriality.

Reuter's American Service.

FRENCH MINISTER TO CHINA.

PRESENTING CREDENTIALS TO MARSHAL CHIANG.

MR. BREWER VINDICATED.

VITAL DECISION BY
INN BENCH.

SENSATIONAL SEQUEL
TO LOCAL TRIAL.

CANNOT FIND ANY JUSTIFICATION
FOR CONVICTION.

EMPHATIC FINDINGS.

FORMING a sensational sequel to the trial and conviction at the January Criminal Sessions of Mr. Noel Instone Brewer, a Hongkong barrister and former President of the Instone Banking Corporation, on a charge of perjury, resulting in his serving a sentence of four months' imprisonment, a Reuter message from London this morning outlines a decision of the Inn Bench in connexion with the case, vindicating Mr. Brewer and virtually exonerating him.

It is announced, says Reuter, that at a Special Parliament of the Middle Temple, London, on Armistice Day, the Masters of the Bench made the following order:

"This Bench having duly considered all the documents in two files submitted to them and which, among other documents, contain a record of the proceedings upon which the conviction took place, and having heard Mr. Noel Instone Brewer, are unanimously of the opinion that they cannot find any justification for the conviction and do not see their way to take any disciplinary action."

The conviction registered, it may be recalled, was in connexion with the affairs of the Instone Banking Corporation.

NO STAIN ON CHARACTER.

While Mr. Noel Instone Brewer's "acquittal" by the Inn Bench, a tribunal of Judges and eminent members of the Bar in England, does not quash his conviction or upset the decision of the Supreme Court Judge, Mr. Brewer has been virtually exonerated of the charge against him.

He has absolutely no stain on his character, in view of the very emphatic findings of the Inn Bench, one member of the Colony's legal circle put it this morning.

He has been discharged of the crime, to all intents and purposes, and should be able to resume his calling in Hongkong to-morrow without the slightest prejudice.

Conviction Reported.

After Mr. Brewer had been convicted, the Attorney General reported his conviction to the Bar Council in England, with a view to their considering striking him off the rolls.

On his release from gaol, Mr. Brewer left for England to oppose his disbarment, and in the event of his being unsuccessful, to appeal to the Privy Council to hear him. If they considered the circumstances sufficiently exceptional, although there is no appeal against a criminal conviction in the Colony, if the conviction is to be made the basis of dishonour, the right to appeal arises.

No Legal Redress.

It is understood that Mr. Brewer has no legal representative in the Colony. He conducted his own case at his trial. It is anticipated, however, that his case will soon be brought to the notice of the Governor-in-Council, and it is possible that an application for an "honourable amendment" will be made.

According to legal authorities, Mr. Brewer has no legal redress against his four months' imprisonment. He cannot sue for damages for wrongful imprisonment and it would be unnecessary for him to appeal to have his conviction quashed.

Should he desire that, however, he could make an application to the Privy Council to hear his case, which they are not bound to do. The fact of his exoneration by the Inn Bench would be likely to influence the Council to hear his case, but it would not necessarily prejudice them in favour of quashing the conviction.

The Trial.

acted dishonestly in doing something which an accountant had said he would have done?

Out of His Depth.

Referring to the Bank business, Mr. Brewer said a trustee bank never required a big capital, but since it was part of the directors' plan to go in for banking proper they were quite justified in wishing to go in for large capital. He suggested that it was not unreasonable of him to try and avoid the responsibility of handling \$2,800,000. He could earn a dividend on a capital of \$150,000 but when they talked about millions it was going right out of his depth.

Concluding he said: "If the items are correctly treated, I am clearly innocent. If I honestly believed them to be correctly treated I am equally innocent. If there is a disagreement of experts and if my explanation is the same as it was seven months ago, how can it be wrong?"

"Can I be a criminal, or to blame, for having produced a document which one expert admits might be correct if the transactions were genuine and another expert maintains that it is genuine and that the statutory report was properly prepared?"

Dramatic Appeal.

"You have it in your power, gentlemen of the jury, by one word—to make me a condemned criminal, to make me a pariah and an outcast, deprive me of my name, reputation, friends, personal liberty and everything that makes life worth living."

"Do not come lightly to a decision for it means everything to me. I maintain that I have been honest and conscientious. I have not endeavoured to further my own interests. I have never defended nor attempted to defend in filing that report."

"I am not a criminal and it is to you, and you alone, that I can look for deliverance from this charge."

Mr. Brewer's address to the jury occupied 75 minutes.

No Fraud on Own Account.

His Lordship commenced his summing up when the Court resumed at 2 p.m. He pointed out that the charge was one of making a false statement and that was connected with, or akin to, fraud. The suggestion was that the statement was made without justification for the advantage of the Bank. While pointing out this he thought he should say at the same time that the defendant was not alleged to have been guilty of fraud on his own account or for his own personal interest. Nothing had come out to suggest fraud on the defendant's part but the charge as it stood was serious enough and one which deserved the jury's greatest consideration.

The statement in the report which concerned the charge was the statement that the bank had received a total amount of cash in respect of the shares issued wholly for cash—that the bank had received \$876,750. The Crown had endeavoured to show that that statement was untrue and that the defendant made it knowing that it was untrue.

The Documents.

The documents fell into two classes. One was a series given by the directors and shareholders. The jury did not know who they were. Mr. Brewer had suggested that the directors were justified in giving them full financial value. As for the paper signed by Mrs. Brewer that had also been accounted for as cash. They did so well knowing that she was only a figurehead and unable to pay the amount of \$432,000. She was unable to pay anything like that sum.

The question was whether the jury, with these facts in their minds, were prepared to accept the statement in the report as a true statement or not. Mr. Brewer accepted full responsibility for the certificate. When asked whether he would say that the company had received \$876,000 in cash his answer was "Yes."

The Verdict.

Mr. Justice Wood later suggested it possible that having regard to the transactions as a whole...

EMPIRE ECONOMIC PROPOSALS.

UNLIKELY TO BE ADOPTED IMMEDIATELY.

OTTAWA PARLEY.

London, Nov. 13.
Every effort was made to-day to complete the work of the Imperial Conference, preparatory to holding the final plenary session to-morrow. The heads of the delegations were in almost constant session throughout the day. This morning they continued the consideration of economic aspects of international relations, and the recommendations of the Graham Committee on economic co-operation was accepted, with slight modifications.

This afternoon's meeting was engaged on questions connected with the agenda of the final plenary session. After three and half hours' sitting, the meeting was adjourned until 8.30 to-night.

Acceptance of the Graham report, which examined systems for security and economic co-operation by means other than tariff preferences indicates a recognition of the feasibility of the quota system, but it is understood that no recommendation will be made for its immediate adoption.

This and other schemes before the Committee appear to demand further detailed examination at the Conference, which will be held at Ottawa next year.

British Wireless.

BRITISH RAILWAY WORKERS.

COMPANIES PROPOSE WAGE CUTS.

London, Nov. 13.

On the conclusion yesterday of the two months' truce agreed upon, proposals to reduce railwaymen's wages by six shillings weekly, with a weekly minimum of 28/- were today submitted to the three railway unions by the Managers of the four railway groups at a conference in London.

The Managers issued a long statement in which they stressed the need for economy in view of their financial difficulties.

It is believed that there is little likelihood of an agreement by direct negotiations and it will probably be necessary for the National Wages Board to consider the respective claims.

Reuter.

RECORD FLIGHT TO SAIGON.

SAIGON, Nov. 13.

Goulette and Lalouette arrived at Saigon to-day having accomplished the record time of 121 hours in their flight from Paris.

In the course of that time they have had only nine hours sleep.

Reuter.

COMMUNIST RIOTS IN NEW YORK.

NEW YORK, Nov. 13.

Twenty persons were injured to-day in a pitched battle between police and 1,500 rioting Communists outside a restaurant. Thirty arrests were made.

Reuter's American Service.

PHILADELPHIA BANK FAILURE.

PHILADELPHIA, Nov. 14.

Smith Brothers' firm of investment bankers has been suspended for insolvency.

VICEROY'S IDEAS ON INDIA'S NEW GOVERNMENT

DEFINITE IMPRESS OF DOMINION STATUS.

PARTNERSHIP IN PLACE OF SUBORDINATION.

DOMESTIC CONTROL.

London, Nov. 13.

A form of Government at the centre involving only a partial retention of the British Parliament's responsibility and simultaneously with a large measure of popular control is proposed by the Government of India in a despatch (as preliminary to the Round Table Conference) drawn up in special reference to the Simon Commission Report, issued for publication on Friday.

The scheme is designated "Unitary Government" and concerns "the further progress which might now be made towards the development of responsible Government in India as an integral part of the British Empire."

India's Demand.

Surveying the political forces at work in India, the despatch refers to the strength of the National movement, which has taken form of a demand for self-Government, and Dominion Status, and remarks: "The demand for self-Government, stated in practical terms, is that India should be allowed to manage her own affairs both in the provinces and, subject to any temporary safeguards that may be required, at the centre. The claim to Dominion Status, so far as that can be separated from the ideas of self-government, has not a sentimental, but not on that account any less a potent appeal."

A new system of Government, it is stated, must be based, as far as possible, on the willing consent of a people whose political consciousness is steadily being awakened.

The despatch agrees with the Statutory Commission that the aim must be to establish a constitution, containing provision for its own development.

Ultimate Ideal.

The ultimate ideal of an All-India Federation is accepted, although it is pointed out that its realisation must depend on the attitude of the States.

The Province of British India should receive maximum autonomy consistent with interest of India as a whole, while there should be a vigorous central authority.

No scheme of Government at the centre, it is remarked, can work successfully unless it is recognised that Parliament and the India Legislature have each a special contribution to make to India's welfare, which is the joint purpose of both.

The aim should be partnership in a common cause.

Dynarchy to Go.

The proposal of the statutory Commission for the abolition of the dynarchy and the consequent establishment of responsible Government in the Provinces dealing with the whole Provincial field, including law and order, is accepted with the full recognition of the risks inherent in so great a change.

The despatch supports, in principle, the proposed separation of Burma from India, but thinks that Indian opinion should be given a chance to declare itself, and that no decision should be reached before the creation is sanctioned by the Round Table Conference.

Regarding the Central Government, the despatch considers that the main problem is the nature of the Central Executive and its relations with the Legislature, and the view is expressed that the stage has now been reached when it appears desirable to bring development in Legislature and Executive into co-ordination.

Viceroy's Power.

The proposal of the Statutory Commission that the members of the Governor-General's Council should be appointed, not as now by the Crown, but by the Governor-General, is welcomed, and considerable constitutional significance is attached to this change.

The despatch indicates at some length how a Government of this kind would be constituted.

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PRIEST'S AWFUL DEATH.

BEHEADED AND HEART CUT
OUT AND EATEN.

KIAN ATROCITIES.

The terrible hardships of the Catholic missionaries in Kian near Kanchow (Kiangsi) where they were captured during the recent Red invasion, is vividly told in a communication received from Father Barbatto, who describes the horrible death suffered by a Chinese Christian in front of the Cathedral.

Other missionaries of Kian who were made to suffer were Bishop Nigamni, Father Thierrey, Father Kapozzi, Father Purino, Sister Lepori, Sister Merle, Sister Rogoni, Sister Ramos and Sister Larnichant.

Father Barbatto's letter to the Catholic Mission in Hongkong is reprinted in full below:

"I will give you a general summary of what we suffered. The 'Red' arm moved on Kian on October 4 and that day there was a terrible battle. The leaders were Chu Te, Mao Pant-hoi, and Lo Ping-hoi. They had at least 30,000 guns. The General here, seeing that he could not hold out, retreated about 10.30 p.m. in the evening and, lo and behold, the city was in the hands of the Reds. Father Degandi and I, at 11.30 the same evening, hid ourselves in the attic of a Christian home. Bishop Nigamni and Father Thierrey at the home of the Catechists. The other brothers were concealed here and there.

"On October 5 the local Reds (peasants) entered the house of the Catechists looking for refugees and saw the Bishop and Father Thierrey. They tied them and led them through the streets to the thompson. On the way a cruel monster with an iron bar beat the Bishop on the back and legs. They were kept prisoners for two days and two nights, and were condemned to death unless they paid \$50,000. We can only get \$2,000 and they would have been executed on the night of October 7, if our doctor had not informed the chief of the Red government.

Sisters Captured.
"At the same time as the Bishop and Father Thierrey were taken the soldiers entered the sisters' house and took prisoners Sisters Lepori, Augustine and Ramos and conducted them, bound, to the Cathedral where they remained the day and night. Other Red soldiers took the sisters of the Orphanage, Sisters Larnichant and Rogoni and also Purino, who had gone to say Mass. The sisters of the Orphanage were set free the same day without paying any money. Due to the eloquence of Sister Anne they were allowed to nurse the sick Red soldiers. The Orphanage was robbed from stem to stern, the Reds even occupying the beds of the sisters.

"Father Purino was passed from prison to prison, from four different prisons, in company with many other prisoners, men and women altogether. They gave to each one a bowl of rice per day, this in the evening. Father Purino was judged and condemned as an Imperialist, Italian and missionary and the sentence was either \$20,000 or death.

"Father Paul Cheng was taken on the 8th by the local Reds. He was concealed in a Christian home. He was condemned to pay \$2,000 because he was passed off as a professor in our little school, but the wife of this Christian unwittingly betrayed him, calling him *cheng fu*, that is father.

A Horrible Death.
"Since the Bishop could not find any money to deliver to the Father Purino and Father Paul, the wife of this Christian made up for her involuntary imprudence of speech by going round here and there getting \$200 to set free Father Paul, but on the 13th despite the fact the Reds received the money Father Paul was executed in front of the Cathedral. They cut off his head, disembowelled him, took out his heart and ate it. He was buried miserably in the little cemetery there. Father Paul died a few feet away from his Cathedral.

THE LATE MR. LENOX SIMPSON.

SIMPLE BUT IMPRESSIVE FUNERAL.

Tientsin, Nov. 13.
After a simple but impressive Church of England ceremony, the remains of the late Mr. Lenox Simpson were laid to rest at two o'clock this afternoon in the Canton Road Cemetery, where his father's remains also lie.

By special request of the family and friends, the funeral service was conducted privately, and besides the widow only some fifty of the deceased's most intimate Chinese and foreign friends attended.

There was an unusually large number of wreaths sent by friends and by various Clubs and organizations both in Peking and Tientsin, testifying to the deceased's popularity and the fact that he was one of the most widely-known personalities in North China.—*Reuter.*

received. Father Purino came back to us at the prison where we were all together, but I had to go out again to try to get this million dollars of which he had spoken. The streets of the city were all filled with local Reds, all armed with spears, so that I was obliged to bow low to pass along. I arrived at the Cathedral and saw that everything had been destroyed. It is now the Red Cross centre of the Reds.

Total Destruction.
"I went over to the sisters' house and I found them all there. An order had been given to send all the European sisters to the Hospital to look after the sick Reds at a place five miles distant. The Chinese sisters were obliged to remain alone here to look after the cooking. I consoled them in telling them that Father Purino is now with us. They had thought he had already been shot. I went to our former hiding place to get \$100 which the sisters had left there and I returned to give the \$100 to the Colonel.

"He cried out, 'Is that all?' And I answered, 'It is impossible to get another cent.' The Colonel then told me to bring this money to the chief of the Soviet Government. He received me with great politeness and said, 'Have no fear. I have taken you all prisoners to protect you. As for the Chinese priests, don't bother about them. That's not your affair. As far as your ransom is concerned, I leave this entirely in the hands of the Colonel who guards you.'

"On the 15th the Colonel tells us that four of us must follow the Army as hostages. Two would have to go to get money, but not the Bishop or the Vicar General. We told him that if the Bishop doesn't go we all will follow the Army. There's only the Bishop to get the money. The Colonel gave us a chief of staff and obtained permission for the Bishop and Father Dejeunis to go to Shanghai and gave them passports, stamped and sealed by the generalissimo Chu Te.

"On the 14th they departed. On the 15th we were obliged to follow the Army and walk for 80 is in the direction of the capital, where the bulk of the Red troops were going. I told the leader that it would be absolutely impossible for us to continue walking, otherwise we would surely die on the way.

"The leader then held a consultation and decided to send us back to look after the sick. It was a great happiness for us, on our return, to see the sisters who had already preceded us. We were well treated. The sisters worked very hard. We are in charge of the Sanitary Quarters. No one troubles us and we await our deliverance. Therefore we are not discouraged. We have utmost confidence. Mary Immaculate and Her Son love us; that's the reason of our confidence. Pray for us." Signed: "Missionaries and sisters, prisoners of Christ."

The latest news received from the district was a message during the earlier part of November that regular soldiers had taken the city of Kian and were marching on to Kanchow.

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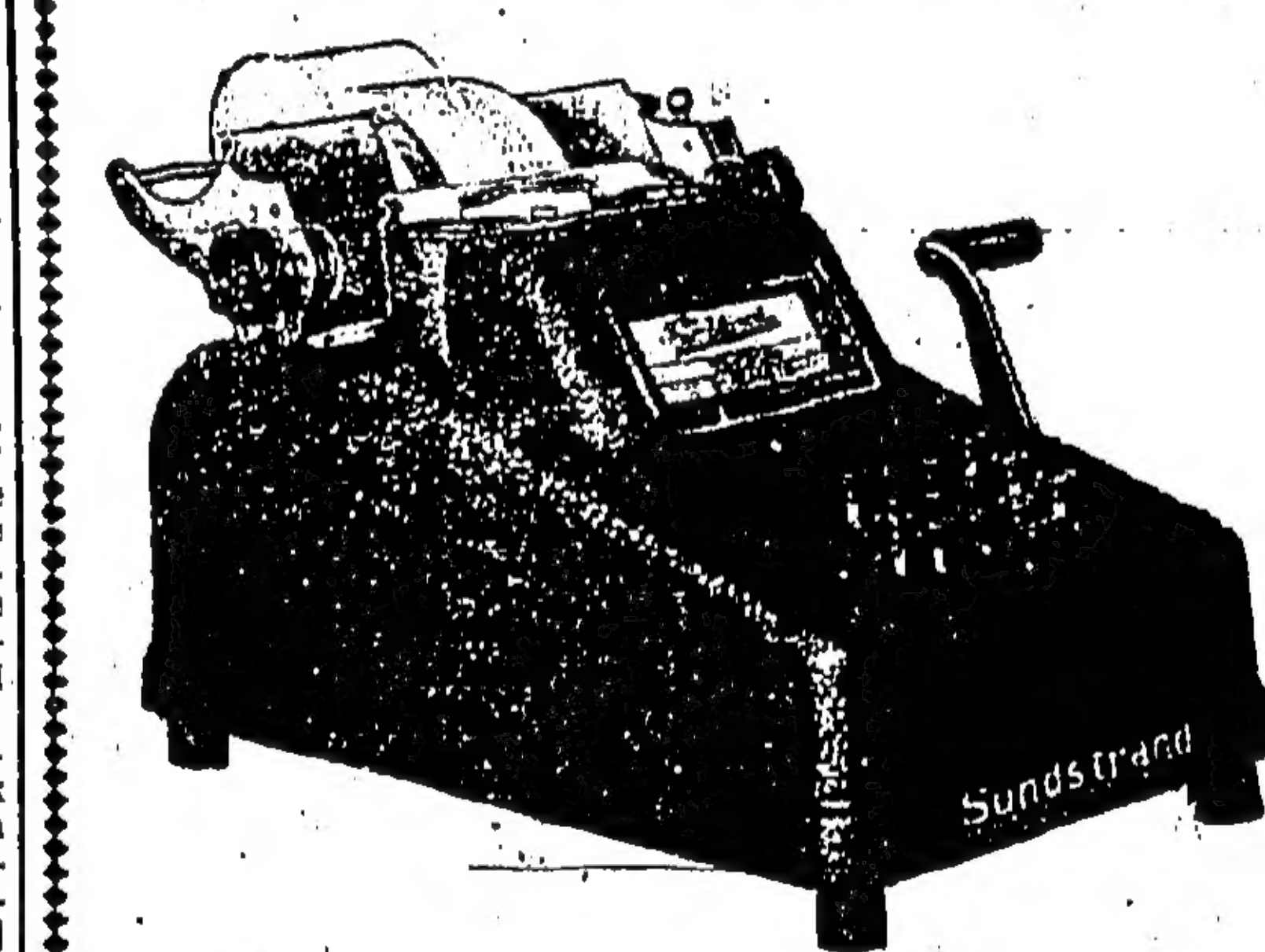
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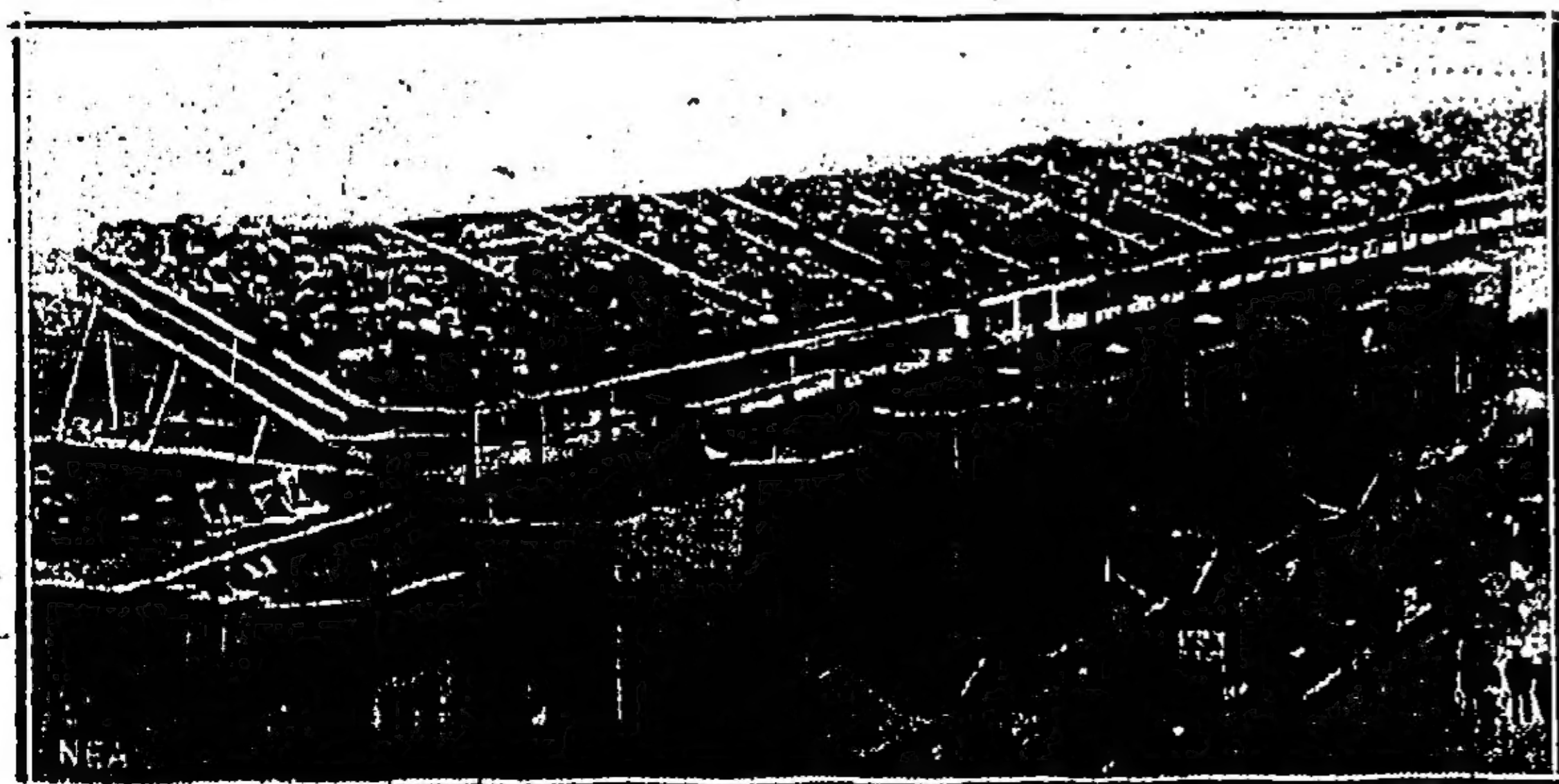
Simmons of the Athletic is soon scoring in the recent world series second game, off Fox's two-bagger to left centre.



Amateur torreadors in Valderrama, Spain, gave "El Toro" best during the annual festival of bull-baiting recently.



Frisch of the Cardinals tagging the ambitious Cochrane before he could complete a steal in the first game of the world series, which Philadelphia won four games to two.



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No. of Sale	Reg. No.	Locality	Boundary Measurements	Area in Acres	Annual Rental	Upset Price
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At No. 7, Torren Building (Kim-bottle Road), Kowloon.
A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture.

On View from Sunday, the 16th November, 1930.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

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The Undersigned have received instructions to sell by Public Auction,

on THURSDAY,

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at No. 110, The Peak,
(4 Mountain View)
A Quantity of Valuable Household Furniture

comprising:—
Haltstands, Chesterfield Couch and chairs, Teak Dining Table, Sideboard, Chairs, Glass Cabinet, Ice Chest, Silver Ware, New Cutlery, Ornament, Pictures, Brass Ware, Curtains, Carpets, etc., etc.
Teak Bedstead, Teak Dressing Case, Teak Chest of Drawers, Table, Table Lamps, Table Fans, etc., etc.

A Quantity of Blackwood Ware
On View from Wednesday, the 19th November, 1930.

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on FRIDAY,

the 21st November, 1930,
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at No. 35, Humphreys Building,
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RADIO NOTICES.

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NEW YEAR PARCEL MAIL FOR GREAT BRITAIN.

The New Year Parcel Mail for Great Britain will be closed in the General Post Office at 5 p.m. on the 21st November per s.s. "Karmala."

This mail is due in London on the 27th December.

CHRISTMAS LETTER MAIL FOR GREAT BRITAIN via MAIL-SEILLES.

The Christmas Letter Mail for Great Britain via Marseilles will be closed in the General Post Office on the 22nd November per s.s. "Karmala"

on follows:—
Registered Mail 9.45 a.m. 22nd November.

Ordinary Mail 10.30 a.m. 22nd November.

This mail is due in London on the 22nd December.

The public are reminded that dutiable articles sent by letter post to the United Kingdom are liable to confiscation by the Customs there.

Christmas cards bearing not more than five written words may be forwarded as Printed Papers, provided that the enclosing cover is left open.

INWARD MAILS.

U.S.A. Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco 17th October)	Pres. Van Buren	November 16.
Japan	Bokuyo Maru	November 16.
Manila	Pres. Pierce	November 16.
Calcutta and Straits	Kumang	November 17.
Japan	Kitano Maru	November 17.
Japan	Wakasa Maru	November 17.
U.S.A. Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (San Francisco 24th October)	Pres. Jackson	November 17.
Sandakan	Tjilpana	November 17.
Java	Tjikumpuk	November 20.
Australia and Manila	Atsuta Maru	November 18.

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Mah Jongg Nuisance.

[To The Editor of Hongkong
Telegraph.]

Sir,—I think the noise created by playing the game of Mah Jongg which at any moment, especially at night, can be heard everywhere in the Colony, should be prohibited after midnight by law. The Government has granted the privilege of playing this game to the inhabitants in order that they may amuse themselves at their leisure during day-time and night-time, but I presume surely not after midnight.

I may mention that some people try to make money by opening places or playing this game. They usually charge each player (the number of players in each game is four) 5% commission of the price of the game, for furnishing accommodation and instruments therefor. Take for instance a game for \$5, the amount they thus receive would be 25 cents from each player and \$1 from the whole staff of players.

The time taken for a game of four rounds, "East," "South," "West" and "North," is 1½ hours, and the income from each stall for 24 hours calculated in this way is therefore over \$24. Such business is indeed a profitable one.

As a consequence of these gambling houses a continuous noise created by Mah Jongg is heard throughout the whole night with out stopping and without intermission. The police, the noise complaints during the night, or midnight like the firing of fire-crackers, and keeps neighbours awake the whole night. Those who have to work during the daytime after a great deal of sleep have no opportunity to sleep at night.

I hope you will be good enough to publish an article in your paper on this subject, in order that the Government may see to this nuisance and stop it. All the sufferers will be very much obliged for your kindness in doing so.

Yours, etc.,

MAN MUN-LOK

FRENCH TOWN
DISASTER.OLD BUILDINGS AT LYONS
COLLAPSE.

Lyons, Nov. 13.
It is reported that 60 persons have been killed and 40 injured as the result of a series of collapses of buildings in the old part of the town.

First a wall collapsed at one o'clock in the morning at the top of a house occupied by nurses. Firemen and police were rushed to the rescue, and then two more buildings collapsed, and buried the rescuers. The mass of debris prevents an accurate estimate of the casualties.

Havoc Caused.

A series of building collapses in the St. Jean quarter of Lyons has caused havoc over an area of fifty yards.

At least ten six to seven storeyed tenements lie in ruins in one street alone.

Despite the imminent danger of further collapses, firemen, police and volunteer helpers worked throughout the darkness trying to rescue those entombed by tons of smashed bricks and mortar, while high crumbling walls and tons of loosened earth are leaning perilously over the rescuers.

It may be days before the full casualties are known.

Landslides Continue.

Up to noon the landslides were continuing.

Hitherto thirty bodies have been recovered, all except five being rescuers, including the Chief of the Fire Brigade, Captain Rochas, his assistant, 18 firemen and 5 policemen.—*Reuter.*

WOMEN'S WORLD
FOR OUR LADY READERS.

Original Collar Effects on New Coats.



There is no mistaking this winter's fur-trimmed or all fur coats, so original and lavishly fur used on the former and so very different in length and cut are the latter. Left: A novel shaped collar of grey astrakhan, a rounding yoke and shawl collar all in one, is encrusted in the coat itself to give the effect of the detached bolero which has been so popular. Right: A black kid coat, trimmed with ermine, has the new three quarters length, is belted and bloused a bit, and has a scarf, lined with ermine, which knots under the chin. This coat, is characteristic of the new lines, length and looks of the winter models.

SIX SILHOUETTES.

For the Coming Season.

Paris.
There are at least six different silhouettes to be traced among the new autumn and winter styles of dress. All six have something faintly old fashioned about them.

The Directoire influence is clearly shown in the high waist-line to dress and coat, with shoulder cape of fur and muf for the hands, the coat falling straight to the ankles. Again, there is the Empire line, or as some call it, the Kate Greenaway line. This in dresses for the evening is deliciously girlish and fresh.

Much the same lines are used for dresses for the young married woman, and recall all the charm and graciousness of the Empress Josephine. Then there is the late 'Eighties silhouette, with a straight line to below the knees, and from there flares or flounces billowing out about the feet.

Suggestive of the same period is the three-tiered dress, each tier with a slight flare and about the shoulders, a bertha.

Bodices button down the front, and the waistline behind is pulled in to show a curve below, almost the bustle line.

Greek or Persian.

The tunic may be Greek in line, or Persian. That is to say, it may be short or long. The tunic blouse is popular, the tunic dress may become so. A skirt with a three-quarter coat to match, in plain cloth, is worn with a tunic blouse

of lame silk, and is at one and the same time a sober street ensemble and a formal afternoon party dress.

The jacket dress is much what it was in the spring and early summer. The difference lies in the materials used to make it and trim it. Soft, short furs are united to cloth, rough or smooth, plain or figured. Again, the fur may be used as a waistcoat, or the coat may be all of fur.

Nothing is more attractive than the black cloth coat and skirt with a waistcoat of white lame, and under this a white georgette blouse. Velvetene is also used for the jacket dress in browns, greens, and greys, plain or corded. The sports dress or ensemble of coat, skirt and jumper top or tucked in blouse, has not changed very much. The skirt may be box-pleated, knife-pleated or gored.

The blouse may be a jumper, or over-blouse (the new name for the old thing), or there may be a waistcoat over a chemise.

The coat is, above all, very well cut, with a flat basque and a pinch or two at the waistline behind, and for the rest, strictly simple in style.

Tailor-made clothes for the coming autumn are so near perfect, for as good tailoring can make them. Trousers, modelled after plain cloth, are being made to make them, and the colours are what they always have been, vaguely brown, grey, red, green, anything soberly bright yet dark.

"We Shall See..."
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TO-DAY'S RECIPE.

Small Iced Cakes.

Ingredients Required.

1 egg.
2oz. flour.
2oz. sugar.
½ teaspoonful vanilla essence.
½ teaspoonful baking powder.

How to Make.

1. Grease some small cake tins.
2. Break the egg into a basin, and whisk.
3. Add the sugar gradually and beat well, then add the flour, vanilla, and baking powder, and beat again until it is a stiff cream.
4. Put at once into the baking tins, and bake in a hot oven for 10 minutes.

The Icing.

Crush 2oz. of icing sugar with a wooden spoon until it is free from lumps. Add enough water to make like a stiff cream.

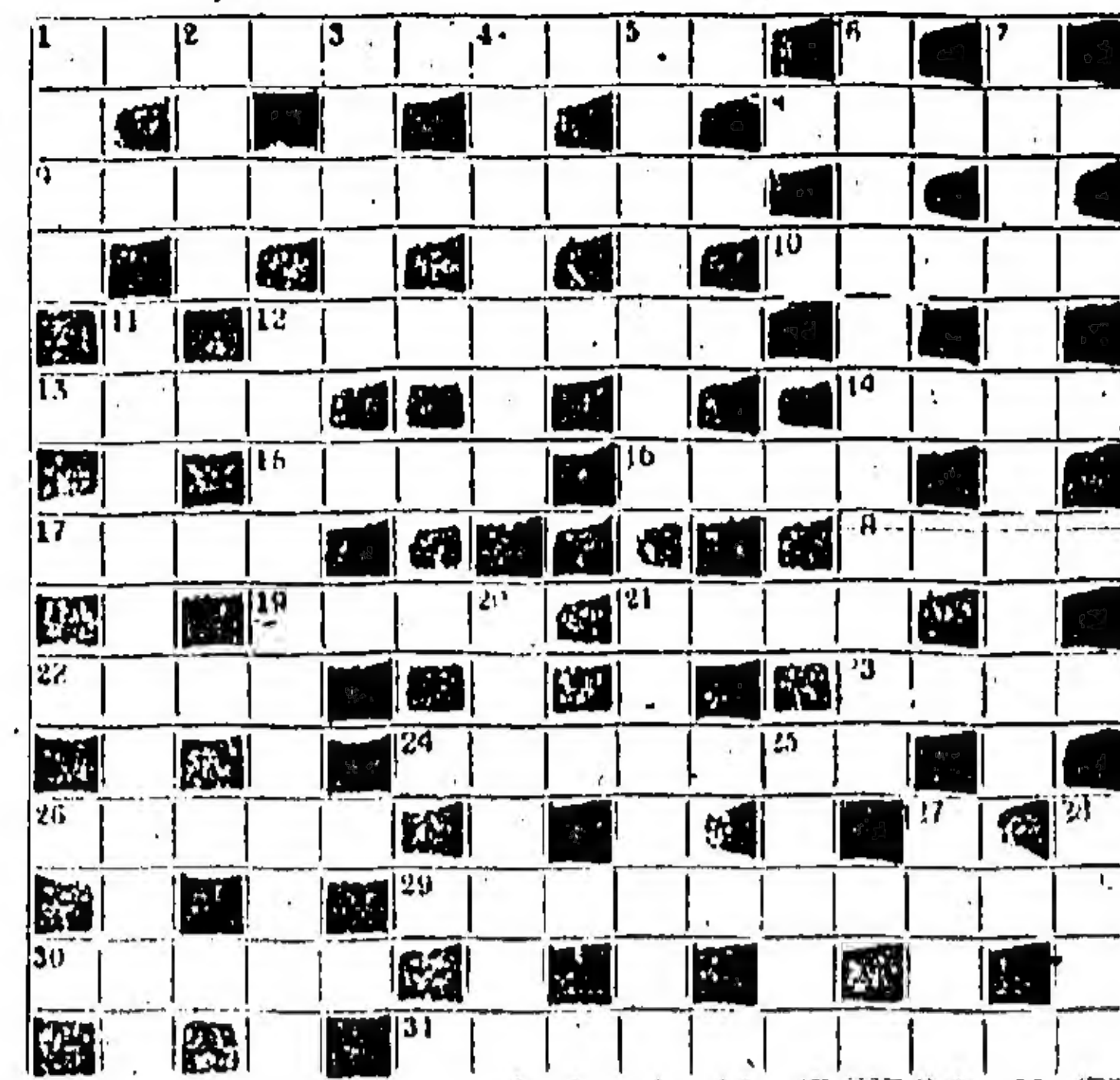
Spread on top of the cakes, and decorate with cherries and coconut.

them. Wonderful silks, gauzes, laces, crepes, velvets, laces are used in a dozen different ways. Many dresses are in black, or white, or pale pastel colours.

The skirts are all long, some trail, some only reach the instep. The waistline is usually high. The neck openings are modest.

It remains to be seen if these fashions will be accepted by society women, or if the dress-makers will have to modify them.

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



Across

- 1 Whipping boys were this.
- 8 A source of oil supply.
- 9 "Rove in star" (anag.).
- 10 Chirps, or narrow views.
- 12 Misanthropic.
- 13 Good wine does not need it.
- 14 This clue is as much yours as mine.
- 15 A bow coveted by a bishop.
- 16 This fish may run in a race later.
- 17 You may leap lightly over this mine truck.
- 18 This is very trifling.
- 19 Take care; you must go back-wards.
- 21 The most fashionable part of a fowl.
- 22 A hideous error had been made although the fact was not yet known (hidden).
- 23 Eager, and full of go.
- 24 A West-country port.
- 25 Hard wood, and heavy.
- 29 A national gas-works.
- 30 This is often in the limelight.
- 31 "Moored brig" (anag.).

Down

- 1 Bullets or silk may be this.
- 2 Noted for its "barren rocks."
- 3 Attempt.
- 4 This kind of behaviour did not daunt Jack the Giant Killer.

- 5 Consisting of threes.
- 6 Might describe Aesop's Fables.
- 7 "Vote on a pair" (anag.).
- 11 An aid to slimming (two words).
- 12 The lady whose function this supervision was is no longer considered necessary.
- 20 Byron wrote a poem about this ruffian.
- 21 Many a man has saved his king when he has done this.
- 25 The merely animal part of the fruit.
- 27 This hour might be any time.
- 28 Found in the front of a boat or among leaves and flowers.

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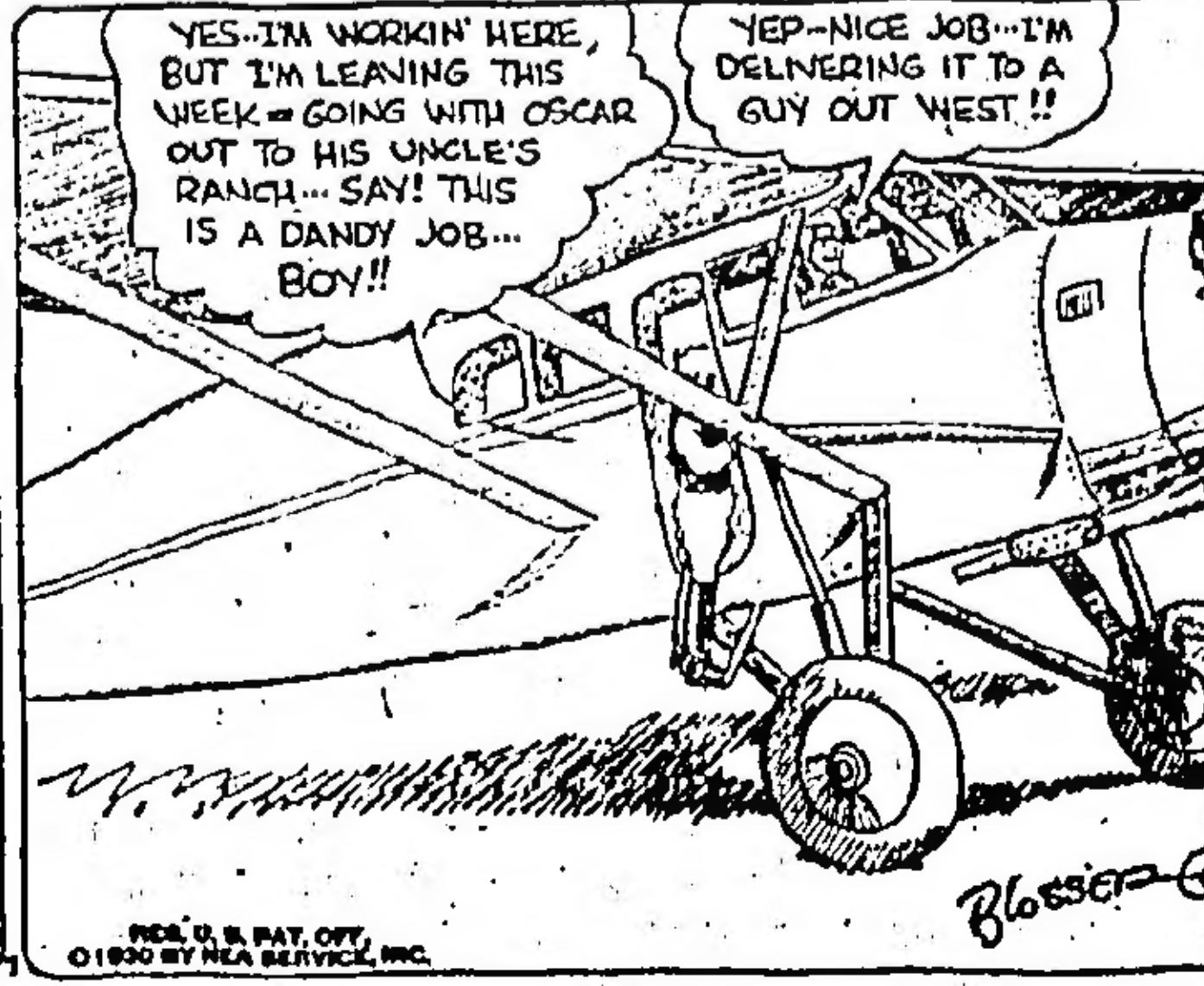
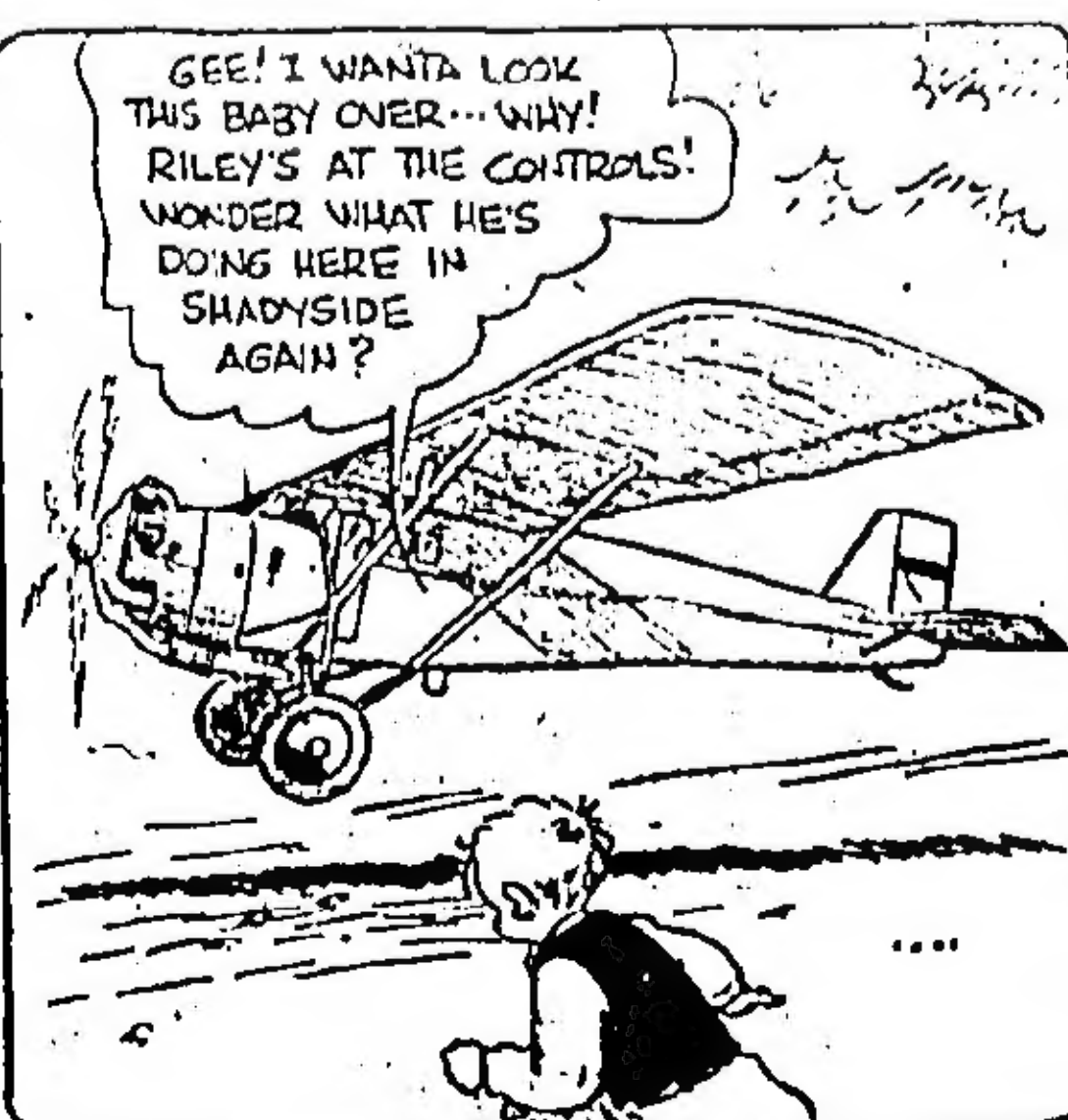
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Mr. D. A. Alonso and family and Mrs. H. Noronha and family tender sincere thanks to their relatives and friends for the many kind expressions of sympathy in their recent bereavement. Also for floral tributes sent and attendance at the funeral.

DEATH.

THOMAS, died in London, on 27th October, Charles Edward Thomas, late of Victoria Gaol, Hongkong. (Shanghai and Singapore papers please copy).

The
Hongkong Telegraph.

FRIDAY, NOV 14 1930.

THE LESSONS OF ADVERSITY.

The trade depression which the United States is suffering in common with most other countries is being seized upon by observers and commentators as a development which is likely to do good, rather than evil, in the long run. The easy optimism of the old days of seemingly permanent prosperity is gone, and in its place there is emerging an attitude of self-criticism and scepticism which is a great deal more wholesome. Up to the time of the stock market crisis of October last year, the sky was the limit, to use the words of one writer. People who were old enough to know better went about assuring everybody that the country had entered a new era, in which depression, disaster, and panic would be no more. All account books were to balance eternally, and prices, wages, production schedules and the spirits of mankind were to keep on rising for ever. There was an almost apocalyptic character to these prophecies and revelations.

People, however, are apparently now a little bit wiser. The booster is not heard quite so freely, and the tales of perpetual prosperity are not retailed as they were. In this fact, it is coming to be realised, lies the one great benefit which the present depression is bringing. It is, of course, impossible to make much progress if all obstacles are discounted in advance, for lasting success of any kind is only to be had by deep thought and hard work. But deep thinking and hard work were not very popular in the period that ended with the great Wall Street crash. Instead, people gave ear to the glib talker, the bluffer, and the man who could see nothing ahead but a clear track and green signal lights. The country is now paying for that. On the other hand, simply to sit back and wait

about the cruelty of fate will not do any good, but if people realise that the bluffer has outlived his usefulness, they will begin to buckle down and pave the way for a return to real prosperity. The field of economics is one of the most complicated fields there is. It holds out fascinating possibilities, but to find out the margin between hope and reality, and to learn how that margin may be wiped out, is a task calling for the best brains of the nation. The new attitude that has arisen, brought about by the altered circumstances, is favourable to the impartial study that such a task requires. The old attitude was not. It is, after all, the old story of adversity proving of value as providing the opportunity to look back and attempt to estimate the factors which have brought about the less favourable circumstances. The same experience can be found in personal life and in the business sphere. Here in Hongkong, as in the Homeland, the lesson will not be learned merely by sitting still and waiting for better times to come. The prime necessity is to get down to first causes, to institute rigorous and really sound economy, and to lay the foundations for future success. In this way, the hard times through which so many countries are now passing can be recognised as a salutary experience, even though they are not pleasant to put up with at the moment.

Sanitary Board Eviction?

While a discussion on public disinfecting stations is possibly among the least inspiring mediums for an oratorical flow, it does not preclude a frank answer to a straightforward question. That is, of course, if there is nothing to hide, and there is no inner history which it is not considered politic to divulge. We are not acquainted with any particular reason for the questions submitted to the Head of the Sanitary Board on Wednesday by Dr. W. V. M. Koch, but there is nothing in the phraseology which suggests a trap for officialdom, nor can we see any insuperable difficulty in supplying the information desired. Yet Mr. Sayer apparently found it necessary to "cover up." Two of his answers were distinctly evasive, whether by intent or by accident it is impossible to tell. For instance, asked if any complaints had been received or claims for compensation made on account of destroyed or damaged property, the Head of the Board replied that the Medical Officer of Health did not recall any such complaint or claim. Asked if it was known as a fact that damage had been done to bedding and mattresses by the process of disinfection, Mr. Sayer stated that the M.O.H. was not aware of any instance. He thrust the responsibility for knowledge as far as the Board was concerned upon the M.O.H. and quite frankly, left an impression that somebody other than the M.O.H. might be in a position to be more specific, even the H.S.D. himself. We may be quite wrong in so thinking, but Mr. Sayer throws himself open to the inference by the enigmatical style of his replies to questions. Whether it is that by too long acquaintance with "red tape" he has been forced into this ambiguous style and cannot shake off the habit of its use, we do not know. We should prefer to think so because the method is one which jars against ordinary notions of propriety and, in the last analysis, amounts to an insult to public-spirited individuals who give of their valuable time in the public interest to make of the Sanitary Board an efficient organisation. Had we not had cause to remonstrate with the Head of the Sanitary Board in the past for precisely the same offence, if we may so term it, we should be less severe in our strictures. But Dr. Koch and his unofficial colleagues deserve better of Government officials.

We are asked to state that the Somerset Light Infantry band concert at Wellington Barracks on Sunday night will commence at 8 p.m., and not 8.30 p.m., as previously intimated.

DAY BY DAY

AFFECTATION IN ANY PART OF OUR CARRIAGE, IS LIGHTING UP A CANDLE TO OUR DEFECTS, AND NEVER FAILS TO MAKE US TAKE NOTICE OF, EITHER AS WANTING SENSE OR WANTING SINCERITY.—Locke.

The Empress of Japan left Yokohama yesterday at 4 p.m. and is due at Hongkong on the 19th instant.

A dog belonging to Mrs. Webb of Stonecutters' Island was removed to Maitland for observation after it had bitten a boy named J. Rogers at the Military camp at Stonecutters' yesterday.

In addition to those mentioned in the report of the tea party given yesterday by Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung to Captain Robert Dollar, there were also present Mr. and Mrs. Robert Ho Tung, Jr., Mr. and Mrs. Ho Leung, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Lu, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Ki, and Mr. and Mrs. Ho Wing.

Messrs. Wallace Harper and Co. have received a cable from Mr. Wallace Harper as follows:—"Am now at Nanking. Flew from Shanghai in one hour twenty minutes. Will be staying here two days." The flight was made in a Ford plane, which is expected shortly to make a trip to Canton.

The following forthcoming weddings are announced:—Mr. Peter Tupikow, No. 18, Granville Road, to Miss Eugenie Mikhailovskaya, of the same address; Mr. Ernst Michelfelder, of the Basel Mission, Taipei Road, to Miss Johanna Eisinger, of Grenzach, Baden, travelling to Hongkong on board the s.s. Vidua; Mr. Vassian Alfred Shaw, No. 3, Third Lane, Tai Hang Village, to Miss Jenny Pirry, of the same address; and Mr. Henley Hemblin Rose, No. 8, Somerset Road, to Miss Rachel Grace Law, No. 3, Lincoln Road, Kowloon Tong.

LAD WITH LOTTERY TICKETS.

TOOK ON JOB OF WRITING NUMBERS.

Appearing at the Central Magistrate's court this morning for a young lad charged with the possession of prize lottery tickets, Mr. F. A. D'Almada, Jr., pleaded extenuating circumstances.

He said the lad had been out of school for four months and, having nothing to do, was taken into employment by Ah Cheung at 251, Queen's Road. The manner of his employment was writing up these tickets. When questioned by the police, said Mr. D'Almada, the lad readily admitted that the characters on the tickets were his. Technical possession was admitted.

Mr. Lindsell:—Can he pay a fine?
Mr. D'Almada:—I think so.
A fine of \$50 was inflicted.

EDGAR WALLACE admits being OUT—WALLACED.

THE truth that is stranger than fiction does not very much disturb the writer of stories. Truth is so incredible, so chock-full of improbabilities, so humbly impossible, that one can afford to wave an almost friendly hand to one's rival.

It is the truth that lives up to fiction which is so disconcerting. I once wrote a little play about Chicago and a gang leader. If he did not like a friend he had him put on the spot. It is a logical little play and it has been seen by tens of thousands of wistful men and women who have similar friends but have no knowledge of the extermination.

"Taken for a Ride."

Ever since I wrote this play there has been a conspiracy between Chicago and New York to put me out of business by providing thrillers more bizarre and stories less credible.

I met a very nice man in Chicago who tried to persuade me that most of the stories of gang vengeance were exaggerated and the invention of "these newspapers." He could have spoken with greater authority for he had married a lady who had been widowed by machine-guns.

To-day he could speak with greater vehemence if he could speak at all, but in March last he was found stiff at the wheel of his expensive limousine on a lonely shore of a lake, shot to pieces by other gentlemen, a considerable number of whom are no longer with us.

The writer of detective fiction lives all the time in the fear of the chinless nitwit who will stand in the dock charged with stealing from his master's till, and will offer as his excuse that he had been led to crime by reading trashy literature.

It is a nightmare to the novelist that some of his more ingenious inventions will be taken as examples from the text-book on "How To Do It." I had no sooner written "The Four Just Men" and a scientific journal had demonstrated that it was impossible to murder over the telephone wire than such a murder was committed in Brazil. I live in dread that two crimes of which I am the sole inventor will be repeated in real life. So far I stand blameless.

If I wrote a story of how a desperado walked into the sweepstakes office at the Dublin Mansion House, held up the terrified staff, and without so much as presenting a ten-shilling ticket, walked away with the quarter of a million, leaving thousands of prize-winners desolate, I should not sleep for a month before every drawing.

Not Like "Boloney."

Mr. Capone and I run our stories on parallel lines. The end is inevitable. When I say "Mr.

Capone" I mean all that he stands for in the European mind. They blame Mr. Capone—his name, by the way, rhymes with "alone" and not "Maloney"—for all the casualties in the great gang war, though there have been at least three this year for which he had no responsibility.

When Jack Diamond "took a powder" on the gang he might as well have walked into the smoky cell. To "take a powder" is a great offence. It means to take a sleeping draught—i.e., to forget your former associates and shake yourself free from them.

Europe would have none of him and sent him back. Have you seen that scared look of his in his photograph? He knew he was going back to "get his"—he knew the end of his story, for bootleggers, hijackers and gunmen who, in a sudden burst of virtue and with the consciousness of their bank-roll decide to drop their nefarious lives and become law-abiding citizens do not live to a ripe old age honoured by their golden-haired grandchildren. Rather they go to Mr. Campbell's Funeral Parlour and in swell processions to flower-lined graves.

Safety in Gaol.

Alas for Jack Diamond who in his desperation went to Philadelphia to get himself arrested as a suspected person. Philadelphia sometimes takes pity on the hunted gunman and sends him to the big house for a year while passions cool. It sent Al Capone there as Buffalo had sent John Torrio to the security of a State lodging. Instead poor Jack who had a sense of dramatic values found for himself a hotel named Monticello, and when they found him he was true to the traditions of his kind. He did not say: "I had been shot."

"Three guns blazed," said Jack in the finest traditions of exciting fiction.

As the incomparable Nool says in a moment of self-consciousness—"The incredible cleanliness of it all!"

After having spent twelve months in Hongkong working as a private catchman, Rattan Singh gave himself up at the Police Station yesterday as being destitute. He was brought before Mr. Williams this morning and committed to the House of Detention until arrangements could be made for his repatriation. Detective Sergeant Whant informed his Worship that the defendant had always been unable to keep his various jobs.

Caught by a military sentry soliciting at Scandal Point, a Chinese woman who appeared before Mr. Williams at the Central Police Court this morning was fined \$25 with the alternative of three weeks imprisonment in default.



"Ain't you ever goin' to get work, Sam?"
"Some day, Mother, when I ain't good for anything else."

THE Y.M.C.A. MOCK PARLIAMENT.

CONSERVATIVE TRIUMPH ON SAFEGUARDING.

AIDS TO INDUSTRY.

The Conservative Government of the Y.M.C.A. Parliament scored a big and totally unexpected triumph last night, when it gained the confidence of the House on the third reading of the Safeguarding of Industry Act, 1930, the Bill being accepted by 24 votes to 9.

The Opposition benches were singularly empty, and the Government, making every use of the position experienced no difficulty on the division.

As anticipated, the Bill provided a debate on the unemployment problem, the feature of the speeches being their serious construction and a general endeavour on the part of the "House" to treat the whole question with that dignity and respect which the subject demanded.

Premier's Speech

Mr. C. Carruthers, the Prime Minister, introduced the Bill, when he said that the Government looked upon the protection of home-manufactured goods as the principal method of solving the unemployment problem. The unemployment figures for the United Kingdom were now up to two and a quarter millions, which was a legacy left them by the R. Hon. the Leader of the Opposition. They could not place the entire blame of the problem upon the late Labour Government, but there was no doubt that it had grown and had in fact doubled itself under Labour rule.

After outlining the chief cause of the present uneconomic position of British industry, which the Prime Minister concluded was primarily the effect of foreign nations manufacturing their own goods and dumping them in the home markets, he went on to show the need of safeguarding British industry and helping to put it in a position of once more competing on fair terms with other countries. He contended that countries such as Germany, France, Poland, etc., were manufacturing goods and selling them in England for less than the cost price of the English production, and they were doing that at the expense of their workers who were being sweated for their labour.

It would be both an unkindly and ungrateful policy to protect the export of foreign goods into England, but they proposed a policy to protect home manufactures by the imposition of an import tariff. That was not a policy of pampering the industrialist, such as was in existence in Australia and America, but one to make up the difference between the lower price of the foreign article and the higher price of the oft-times better British goods.

To Accelerate Production.

The effect upon industry would be to accelerate production, which was unlike the policies of the Liberal and Labour parties which only took money from the national exchequer without putting any back. Such was a policy of bankruptcy.

The adoption of safeguards for industry would show very little alteration in the prices. In the case of luxury articles, the goods might cost more, but on goods on which a ten per cent. tax was placed the increase would be next to nil and the rest would show an almost imperceptible rise.

The Government estimated that the revenue to be obtained from the import duties would be £50,000,000 a year, which would be used to lessen burdens on industry.

Opposition Views.

Mr. Moore (Liberal) said they listened to a baffling speech of apology. He submitted that the British Empire was built up on Free Trade and it now stood as a country whose fundamental policy was that of the open door. The Government proposed to hedge their industries round; and to suggest that a tax on pig iron was going to solve the unemployment problem was ridiculous nonsense. He reminded the House that the problem was purely economic, and must be viewed from that standpoint. They wanted to open their doors, take their goods into the colonies and spend money on advertising their goods. They must encourage private enterprise and organise labour to deal with the question. They could not encourage private enterprise behind closed doors.

Mr. G. F. Rees (Labour) complained that the Bill was premature and that not sufficient time had been given to the consideration of details. Instead of bolstering up industry, they should seek out new markets in South America and China. The Government should have set up an economic conference of outside authorities, as the Government had no economic authorities on its benches.

CAPTAIN DOLLAR IN CANTON.

ENTERTAINED BY ACTING MAYOR.

Canton, Nov. 12. The veteran shipping magnate, Captain Robert Dollar, is at present on a visit to Canton. He arrived here from Hongkong yesterday morning and leaves again this afternoon. This is Captain Dollar's first visit to Canton for thirty years.

Captain Dollar is accompanied by Mr. O. G. Steen, of Shanghai, General Manager of the Dollar Steamship Line in the Far East, Mr. T. B. Wilson, Manager of the Hongkong office, of the Dollar Steamship Line; and Mr. W. E. Arnold, Manager of the Canton office.

The party were entertained to dinner yesterday by Mr. Li at the Municipal Bureau, Mr. Li being the acting Mayor of Canton during the absence in Nanking of Mr. Lam Wen-kol. Other guests at the dinner included Mr. J. W. Ballantine, Consul-General for the United States of America; Mr. T. S. Wong, Commissioner of Foreign Affairs; Mr. Y. K. Luk, Commissioner of Education; and many other distinguished Chinese officials as well as the leading members of the American community here.

Captain Robert Dollar has made a number of business calls during his stay here, and will to-day be entertained by the Chamber of Commerce (Chinese) to fulfil previous to his departure for Hongkong this afternoon. *Our Correspondent.*

CYCLONE HAVOC IN BURMA.

GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS DESTROYED.

Rangoon, Nov. 13. It is reported that the town of Kyaukpada, in Lower Burma, was destroyed by a cyclone on November 10.

No loss of life is reported, but details are lacking owing to the collapse of telegraphic communications. *Reuter.*

As far as is at present known, two were killed at Kyaukpada as a result of the cyclone, and Government buildings, the bazaar and the pier were completely destroyed. *Reuter.*

Home Secretary Replies.

Rev. Walton Rogers (Home Secretary) said he had listened in vain to the verbiage of the Opposition speeches to get some idea of a constructive policy to put in place of the admirable Bill before the House. Mr. Moore wanted them to encourage private enterprise. How could they do that better than by letting the men who produce know that they could do so without being subject to further unfair competition? Free Trade was very well, but let them first have fair trade, and then they would have something by which they could negotiate with other countries for the discontinuance of their high protective barriers. He would remind them that it was only fools and the dead who never changed their minds.

The Home Secretary went on to show how the lace, silk and motor industries had benefited under duties imposed in 1925, and concluded by saying that one could not help being impressed with the poverty of the Opposition arguments.

Other Speeches.

Mr. G. Sims (Leader of the Opposition) taunted the Home Secretary with having provided them with a comic opera speech and described it as a "pocket atlas." He contended that if the Government was to realise £50,000,000 from the duties, then it must either come from the foreigners, which would mean that they would still be selling in England, or it must be taken from the taxpayers.

Mr. A. R. Brown (Liberal) regarded the Bill as "old mutton dressed up again as lamb," and said that they would have to employ another army of tax-collectors to deal with the suggested new revenue.

Mr. E. R. Price (President of the Board of Trade) replied on behalf of the Government, in which he repudiated the suggestion that the taxpayers would have to pay for all of the fifty millions of new revenue, and pointed out that, in any case, it would mean that the £50,000,000 worth of foreign manufacturers which were now flooding our markets would be able to capture and thus allow £50,000,000 to be circulated for the assistance of industry.

The House subsequently divided on the motion, the Government securing the necessary votes of confidence. The House was adjourned until the second Thursday in December.

HIRUNDO PIRACY STORIES.

OFFICERS TAKEN COMPLETELY BY SURPRISE.

CAPTAIN'S VERSION.

There is not a great deal to add to the story of the piracy of the Norwegian steamer *Hirundo*, which we reported in our issue of yesterday. It appears that the pirates numbered twelve in all, and that when they made a concerted move to take control of the vessel it was realised that resistance would be useless.

The pirates did not molest any of the officers or passengers, nor did they touch the cargo. They contented themselves with ransacking the cabins and robbing the passengers of their belongings, as well as taking a sum of \$2,000 from the ship's safe. Their total haul is estimated at \$4,000.

Captain's Story.

"My first experience of piracy after eight years of the China Coast, I hope it's my last," laughed Captain John A. Pedersen, the master of the *Hirundo*. This was his first trip on the ship, since his return from long leave, and he had taken his young wife with him.

"The first intimation I had that things were going wrong was when I heard a lot of shouting and banging down on the main deck, just after eight bells had struck," he said. "I thought it was a fight and hurried down the companionway to stop it. Down there I saw the Third Officer held up by a Chinese with a revolver, and I was just about to ring out when something made me look

THE "TELEGRAPH" ART SUPPLEMENT.

Topical Pictures For To-morrow.

There will again be an interesting display of topical pictures in to-morrow's issue of the *Telegraph Art Supplement*.

Particularly interesting will be the pictures of Mrs. Bruce's arrival at Kai Tak, and the Armistice Day ceremonies at the Cenotaph.

Weddings illustrated will be those of Mr. F. W. S. Smith and Miss Elsie Earl, Mr. E. C. Thomas and Miss Madge Clark, Q. M. S. Peachey and Miss D. Dyer, and Mr. P. Lai and Miss May Lum.

Sporting pictures will include the S.C.A.A. athletic meeting and the last Race Meetings, as well as groups of S.C.A.A. swimmers and the Radio Sports Club football team.

The departure of Rear-Admiral R. A. Hill from Queen's Pier will be illustrated, as well as the Union Church fete at the K.C.C. and the laying of the foundation-stone of the La Salle College by H.E. the Governor.

round, and I saw two more armed Chinese coming up. There was nothing else to do but to submit. My wife, who came running down after me, was also caught.

"I could see at once that resistance was useless, and then the first and second officers and the two engineers were marched a-cz and they had the whole lot of us covered.

Guarded on Deck.

"That's about all there is to tell. My wife and I were sent up to a corner of the bridge deck and one man kept guard over us, while the officers and engineers were sent somewhere else. When night came, I was ordered to the bridge, while my wife was sent to the chart house nearby. We were not allowed to talk and had to watch our belongings being pulled about by the pirates, without a word. We lost all our valuables including jewellery and watches, valued altogether at \$200. I should say. They did not take any of our clothing, although it was strewn all over the cabin.

"They did not lay hands on us, and as soon as they had left the ship at Mira Bay, we were able to carry on as usual."

Mrs. Pedersen's Ordeal.

There was no sleep for Mrs. Pedersen that night, although she showed little signs yesterday morning of the ordeal she had gone through. She spent the night in the chart house, with one of the pirates, revolver in his hand, keeping close guard over her.

Like the other officers and engineers, Mr. M. Kristensen, the Chief Engineer, was taken completely by surprise, and closely guarded as he was, could do nothing.

"I was on deck chatting with the Chief Officer, when I first heard the noise," he said. "We looked

ARMISTICE DAY IN CANTON.

EX-SERVICE MEN ATTEND CHURCH SERVICE.

Canton, Nov. 12. Armistice Day was observed here yesterday. The foreign firms and banks were closed to business and foreign gunboats in port dressed ship.

Poppies were sold on the streets of Shamoon and a collection was taken amongst the British firms and residents in lieu of the usual auction held in the Canton Club. The ex-service men gathered at the Canton Masonic Club in the morning and afterwards proceeded together to Christ Church, Shamoon, where a special Armistice Day service was held, a very inspiring address being made by the Rev. Mr. Foster. In the evening the ex-service men dined together at the residence of Mr. G. M. D. Wolf.

The exact amount realised by the sale of poppies and the collection is not yet known, but preliminary estimates put the amount in the neighbourhood of \$3,000, which is about \$800 more than last year.

To-day is also a holiday, being the anniversary of the birthday of the late Dr. Sun Yat-sen. All Chinese banks, firms, and Government departments, including the Chinese Maritime Customs, are closed. Entertainments have been arranged for the public in the nature of open-air cinemas, theatres, fireworks displays, etc., whilst the usual cinemas and theatres have been instructed to charge half rates to-day. The foreign and Chinese gunboats in port have dressed ship, and the Chinese National and Kuomintang flags are flying from all buildings. *Our Own Correspondent.*

21 YEARS AGO.

SOME EXTRACTS FROM THE "TELEGRAPH" FILES.

The following extracts are from the *Hongkong Telegraph* for the week ended November 13th, 1909.

The rate of the dollar on demand was 1s. 8. 13/16d.

Mr. F. H. May, Colonial Secretary, received a Knighthood in the King's Birthday Honours.

The wedding took place at St. John's Cathedral of Lieut. A. N. Paxton and Miss Florence Gertrude Denny.

The Portuguese and Chinese Commissioners failed to reach an agreement in regard to the delimitation of Macao, and the negotiations were accordingly suspended.

round and saw a couple of men holding up the Second Officer. That was the end of it, as far as we were concerned. Until the pirates left the ship, we were at revolver point the whole time. I was ordered to the cook's cabin and spent most of the night there with the other engineers and officers. One of the pirates stood in the doorway the whole time with his revolver drawn. I took a turn below early in the morning, and was not guarded, but what was the use of resisting? The pirates had complete run of the ship. They went through my cabin and took about \$200 worth of money and valuables.

Shots Woke Him.

Mr. John Stensland, the Second Engineer, was sleeping on the deck at eight bells. "The sound of a couple of shots woke me," he said, "and I found a Chinese at the side of the bed, with a revolver in his hand. I think he had fired the shots over me to wake me. I watched them look my cabin and the Third Engineer's. The pirate who did it must have been annoyed, for he kicked the door of the Third's and smashed a panel in. Altogether they took about \$70 worth of my money and private property."

According to Mr. Frederick Fredericksen, Chief Officer, five of the pirates had boarded the *Hirundo* at Hongkong. "I recognised them as soon as they took command of the ship," he told the police. "I was completely surprised and never had a chance to resist."

Similar stories were told by Mr. Kildal, Second Officer, and Mr. Lovang, Third Officer. The latter said that although his cabin was ransacked, the pirates missed a small amount of money, but they took his watch.

"I was on the bridge when the attack came," he declared, "and when I felt something poked in my back, I looked round to find three armed Chinese behind me. They marched me downstairs, and later we were joined by the other Europeans, who were also guarded. We spent the night in the cook's cabin, and that's all I saw."

THE KUOMINTANG CONFERENCE.

MUKDEN LEADER TO MAKE NO PROPOSALS.

WILL OBEY NANKING.

Nanking, Nov. 13. Marshal Chang Hsueh-liang, the Mukden leader, attended the Fourth Plenary Session to-day merely to supply information regarding affairs in North China. It is stated that he will carry out the Government's orders regarding military reorganisation.

The Young Marshal is not, it is understood, making any proposals regarding political and party matters. *Reuter.*

Shanghai, Nov. 13. According to Chinese reports General Chang Hsueh-liang, who is representing the Manchurian Government at the Fourth Kuomintang Plenary Session, will make no recommendations to the Conference, but will merely discuss the outstanding issues in North China with Marshal Chiang Kai-shek. The two Commanders conferred in camera at the residence of Marshal Chiang for two hours last evening.

Future Policy.

The young Manchurian ruler will give a reception to foreign and Chinese newspaper correspondents some time next week, when he will take the opportunity of disclosing the future policy of the Manchurian Government in the administration of Peking and Tientsin and also comment on the relations between Nanking and Mukden. General Chang will leave Nanking on Thursday next to pay a short trip to Hangchow, the famous resort near Shanghai, after which he will return to Nanking to attend the Disbandment Conference.

Prominent members of the Consular Body in Nanking and Shanghai and some of the Ministers to China now visiting Nanking, together with all Commissioners of the Kuomintang C.E.C. and heads of the Nanking Government Departments, have been invited by Marshal and Madame Chiang Kai-shek to a banquet to-morrow evening in honour of General Chang Hsueh-liang.

The British Minister to China, Sir Miles Lampson, is leaving Peking to-day for Nanking to attend the big Nationalist meeting celebrating the victory of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek in his Northern campaign. The acting Japanese Minister to Peking will be leaving at about the same time as the British Minister.

Committees Appointed.

Nanking, Nov. 13. Marshal Chiang Kai-shek this morning was elected chairman of the Fourth Plenary Session. Five committees were appointed to examine numerous proposals submitted to the session for consideration. It was officially stated that the Plenary Session is to last five days, closing on November 18.

Dr. C. T. Wang was elected a full member of the C.E.C. He formerly was only a substitute member.

It is stated that among the proposals tabled by Chiang Kai-shek is one suggesting the amalgamation of the portfolios for Agriculture and Mines, and Industry, Commerce and Labour, as one Ministry, and the Ministries of Public Health and of the Interior as another, thus abolishing two Ministries.

It is stated that Chiang will also propose limiting the powers of the Executive Yuan to affairs concerning the Ministries, all other matters being dealt with by the State Council.

Executive Chairmanship.

It is believed that the session will request Chiang to assume the chairmanship of the Executive Yuan, which has been vacant since the death of Tan Yen-kai. Representatives of various Hunan bodies petitioned the session to remove Ho Chien from the chairmanship of Hunan. This petition is being discussed.

This morning Chang Hsueh-liang attended the preparatory conference of the Fourth Plenary Session. *Reuter.*

TRAFFIC CASES IN COURT.

CUTTING IN ACROSS A TRAMCAR.

Pressing a charge of negligent driving against a Chinese car-driver, Traffic Sergeant Baker, at the Central Police Court this morning, said the man cut across the road, with a view to going up Gardon Road, in front of an east-bound tram, which had to apply



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its emergency brake to avoid a collision. The affair occurred at 4 p.m. on the 1st instant. A fine of \$20 was inflicted by the Magistrate (Mr. Lindsell). Carrying eight passengers, being two in excess of the number permitted, a public car driver at Saitwanho was fined \$10 by Mr. Lindsell at the Central Police Court this morning. For disobey-

ing a Police Sergeant who had called upon him to stop, a further fine of \$15 was inflicted. The Police Sergeant prosecuted in the case in giving the time of the offence, lapsed into the official expression by saying: "20.55 hours." The Magistrate (Mr. Lindsell) said: "In English, The Sergeant:—At 8.55 p.m."

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LADIES' TENNIS SEMI-FINALS.

MRS. KEARY AND MISS LO
SUCCESSFUL.

The semi-final ties in the Ladies' Singles Tennis Championship of the Colony played at the U.S.R.C. yesterday produced some interesting play, when Mrs. Keary and Miss Lo earned the right to contest the final, at the expense of Mrs. E. Grimble and Mrs. Dook.

Mrs. Grimble offered but slight resistance to Mrs. Keary, and the match was in no way exciting. Mrs. Keary could scarcely be regarded as having produced her best form on this occasion, but she revealed many qualities, and thoroughly deserved her success.

Mrs. Grimble did not appear to be very happy with herself and failed to settle down to anything like her normal game. The first like was captured by Mrs. Keary at 2-3, who had an even easier task in the next, winning it at 6-2.

The brightest match of the afternoon was that between Miss Lo and Mrs. Dook. The latter gave a remarkably fine exhibition, and the tennis was more than unusually fast. Both players resorted to severe driving on the forehand, but whereas Miss Lo mixed her shots, Mrs. Dook became rather stereotyped and invariably indicated her next stroke before executing it. The first set was completed in eleven minutes, Miss Lo winning it at 6-4, but her opponent recovered extremely well to take the next at 6-3, although she played herself out in a moment, and could offer but slight resistance to Miss Lo's heavy attack in the final stanza. The winner captured this without the loss of a game.

FIGHT OVER SIXTY CENT DEBT.

TWO CHINESE FINED AND
BOUND OVER.

An elderly Chinese, one of two men charged before Mr. Lindsay this morning with disorderly conduct at Saiwanho, complained that he was only requesting the other to settle a debt. He was shocked when the other called in two companions and chased him. The Magistrate said: "And you broke his check for him?" The prosecuting police officer said the affair, which arose from a dispute over 60 cents, was not serious. Both men were fined \$5 and bound over.

FANLING GOLF.

STARTING TIMES FOR
SUNDAY.

8.52 a.m.—H. F. Stenham and C. B. Riggs.
9.00 a.m.—Morris and J. Smith.
9.15 a.m.—Not to be booked.
9.20 a.m.—O. E. C. Marton and I. W. Shewan.
9.24 a.m.—L. R. Andrews and A. H. Ferguson.
9.28 a.m.—A. E. Lissman and A. B. Stewart.
9.32 a.m.—L. G. S. Dodwell and J. K. Macfarlane.
9.36 a.m.—G. S. Archbutt and J. M. Walker.
9.40 a.m.—F. J. de Rome and C. C. Stark.
9.44 a.m.—E. J. R. Mitchell and R. Young.
9.48 a.m.—N. L. Smith and K. S. Robertson.
9.52 a.m.—A. H. Mussen and D. Forbes.
9.56 a.m.—A. E. Raworth and A. B. Purves.
10.00 a.m.—T. G. Bennett and J. Stuart.
10.04 a.m.—A. C. I. Bowker and K. S. Morrison.
10.08 a.m.—J. W. Franks and R. Robb.
10.12 a.m.—J. H. Raikes and J. S. MacLaren.
10.16 a.m.—A. D. Humphreys and D. J. Gilmore.
10.20 a.m.—M. G. Mills and S. J. H. Fox.
10.24 a.m.—J. L. Shellshar and E. D. Matthews.
10.28 a.m.—St. Andrew's Society Reserves.
10.32 a.m.—J. S. Shrubsole and J. Lammert.
10.36 a.m.—J. G. Campbell and J. Forbes.
10.40 a.m.—J. H. Davy and M. N. Cochran.
10.44 a.m.—D. Ellis and H. Humphrey.
10.48 a.m.—H. C. Ireland and E. A. Redmond.
10.52 a.m.—A. Leach and J. Major.
10.56 a.m.—I. H. Geare and O. Eager.
11.00 a.m.—T. C. Stenham and J. Colthart.
11.04 a.m.—W. E. Hunt and G. Walsh.
11.08 a.m.—W. A. Butterfield and B. L. Stock.
11.12 a.m.—A. Ritchie and H. G. Stuart.
11.16 a.m.—A. Ritchie and H. G. Williams.
11.20 a.m.—B. Matthews and C. H. Coutts.
11.24 a.m.—P. S. Grant and J. E. Richardson.
11.28 a.m.—R. W. Taplin and J. B. Lanyon.
11.32 a.m.—J. W. King and J. D. Hutchison.
11.36 a.m.—R. L. Stewart and J. W. Alabaster.
11.40 a.m.—C. H. M. Andrew and G. T. May.
11.44 a.m.—A. C. Ellis and H. A. Hill.
11.48 a.m.—J. Gardner and H. C. B. Watson.
11.52 a.m.—W. A. Stewart and S. S. Perry.
11.56 a.m.—L. J. Blackburn and C. Mycock.
12.00 noon L. Yates and A. O. Brown.
12.04 p.m.—H. Lowe and D. J. Keogh.
12.08 p.m.—D. Johnson and W. D. Harris.
12.12 a.m.—J. Allison and J. H. Ashworth.
12.16 a.m.—J. R. Younger and C. P. Ross.

ARMY BOXING.

SOMERSET L.I. OPEN
COMPETITION.

The annual Inter-Company Open Boxing Competition of the 1st Bn. Somerset Light Infantry commenced last night on the ring erected in Murray Barracks. Altogether 78 entries in the various weight classes were received, and, therefore, the competition has to be spread over two days. It was expected that it would be possible to hold 43 fights last night. This would probably have been the case, had not a number of contests terminated abruptly by the knock-out, and quite a lot of men failed to appear for one reason or another. In all, sixteen fights were won on the knock-out, and seventeen men were scratched. Therefore, a decision was reached in fifty-five of the seventy-two fights scheduled in the competition. The semi-finals and finals will be fought to-night on the same square, commencing at 8.30 p.m. Results of last night's fights were as follows:

Heavyweights.—Ptes. Greenham and Swayne scratched, L/Cpl. Richards and Pte. Pearce receiving a walk-over. Pte. Colwell k.o. Pte. Durman, and Pte. Paddock won on points from Pte. Macanmad.

Featherweights.—Pte. Hoig and Pte. Gair scratched, Ptes. Woodbridge and Bryan v.o. Cpl. Sherston defeated Pte. Thorogood on points, and k.o. Ptes. Roberts and Bryan in subsequent rounds. L/Cpl. Kenniston, Ptes. Kane and Sowden, and Bgr. Walsh, won on points in the second round, and Pte. Moore k.o. Pte. Western. In the third round, Ptes. Woodbridge and Moore scratched, and Kenniston k.o. Sowden.

Lightweights.—The six fights in the first round ended with L/Cpl. Williams, Ptes. Day, Meur and Kooke, and Bgr. Swayne and Smith, entering the next round, while Swabey, Williams and O'Keefe again won. Other fights in the second round saw three k.o.s. by L/Cpl. Adams, and Ptes. Honeybun and Lynch, whilst Ptes. Leaver and Shadwick won on points. In the third round, Leaver, Adams, Lynch and Williams won on points.

Welterweights.—Ptes. Bull and Webb by the short route, and Pte. Dicks v.o., only to be defeated by L/Cpl. Woodhouse in the next round. Ptes. Webb and Parcell scratched in the second round, and L/Cpl. Somerfield k.o. Cpl. Lovell.

Middleweights.—L/Cpl. Hearne k.o.

LOCAL FOOTBALL TO-MORROW.

ELEVEN MATCHES FOR
DECISION.

ARGYLLS V. KOWLOON.

[By "Wanderer"]

Chinese Athletic and the Royal Artillery are not fulfilling their league fixtures to-morrow, and the programme is therefore reduced to eleven matches as follows:

Senior Division.

Recreio v. H.K.F.C. Club.—Recreio, 4.15.
Police v. Somerset.—Kowloon, 4.15.
Royal Navy v. St. Joseph's.—Stadium, 4.15.
Argylls v. Kowloon.—Sankumpun, 4.15.

Second Division.

Navy Res. v. University.—Navy ground, 2.45.
Recreio Res. v. Somerset.—Recreio, 2.45.
Kowloon v. Club.—Kowloon, 2.45.
Argylls v. St. Joseph's.—Chatham Road, 2.45.

Third Division.

South China v. R.A.S.C.—Caroline Hill, 2.45.
R.A.O. v. Somerset.—Chatham Road, 4.15.
R.A.F. v. R.E.—St. Joseph's, 4.15.

The Argylls and Kowloon promise the most attractive game to-morrow. Kowloon have retained their last week's team with two exceptions, the right wing having been dropped in favour of Moss and Simpson. Before the season began in a friendly at Kowloon, the Highlanders won 2-0, and they are in such good form just now that they should obtain two points. Though they will need to play hard for them.

The Recreio entertained the Club and should register another win. Goldham is absent from the Club team, while the Recreio are still without Silva-Netto. It will be a close-fought contest, but the Recreio's forward punch is likely to be the important factor.

The Police are not expecting points from the Somerset, though they may give a good account of themselves, while the Navy-St. Joseph's game appears likely to be touch and go.

PROBABLE TEAMS.

Probable teams include: Recreio:—Lawrence; Xavier, Sousa; Marques; A. Gosano, Boltray, B. Gosano, Ward, Silva, Rocha and Santos.
Club:—Rodger; Strange, Bishop; McBride, Stewart, Watson; G. Duncan, Gray, Segalen, A. Duncan and Fowler.
Kowloon:—Angus; Martin, Pile; Dowman, McKelvie, Blas; Moss, Simpson, Gillott, Hedley and Lanson.
Club 2nd:—Fogwill; Stoker, Hynes; Sloan, Panchang, Tavlin; Alexander, Bell, Strange, Jackson and Smith.
Kowloon 2nd:—Angus; Guest, Eastman, Everett, Penny, Parkinson; Hunt, Davies, Spary, Cotton, Bleckford.
Recreio 2nd:—Marques; Costa, Lawrence; Figueiredo; Maren, Ogley; Goncalves, Rosa Pereira, Marques and Santos.

LEAGUE CRICKET.

INDIAN RECREATION CLUB
v. R.A.

The following are the K.C.C. teams for Saturday:

1st XI v. the H.K.C.C. league match on H.K.C.C. ground at 2 p.m.—J. C. Lyle (Capt.), E. C. Fincher, E. F. Fincher, W. Bruce, F. Goodwin, F. Zimmer, S. Jex, G. C. Burnett, W. C. Hunt, D. Laine and F. S. W. Smith.

2nd XI v. H.K.C.C. league match on H.K.C.C. ground at 2 p.m.—R. E. Lindsell (Capt.), G. Lee, N. A. E. Mackay, H. Overy, P. E. Lawrence, F. E. Skinner, G. A. Hall, J. Fraser, K. R. Manskill, D. W. Gregory and A. E. Raven. Reserves:—A. W. R. Adams, L. W. Tittle and A. J. Kew.

The following have been selected to represent the H.K.C.C. v. Kowloon in League matches on Saturday at 2 p.m.:

1st XI (Away).—T. E. Pearce, H. Owen, Hughes, A. C. Beck, G. G. More, A. Reid, E. J. R. Mitchell, J. Hiley, E. R. Duckitt, O. E. C. Marton, G. E. R. Divett, E. C. Etherington, H. Clippendale (Res.).

2nd XI (Home).—W. W. Mackenzie, H. J. Armstrong, R. H. Wild, J. D. Humphreys, A. J. Wolf, R. S. W. Paterson, J. R. Hinton, P. W. L. Plummer, S. J. Stansby, F. J. Collins, J. Chadwick, J. W. MacFarlane (Res.).

Pte. Holland and Pte. Wilkes k.o. Pte. Rawlings. Pte. Lloyd won on points from Pte. Eastwood, and Pte. Enchew v.o. the final, both Ptes. Rochester and Wilkes scratching.

Heavyweights.—L/Cpl. Cullen and Ptes. Body, Townsend and Treasure scratched, and Slt. Galtney k.o. Pte. Baker in the first fifteen seconds. The method of scoring the points won by each Company allotted four points to the winner of a weight; three points for the runner-up, two points for losers of semi-finals, and one point for the winners of two fights not reaching the semi-final. Points at the conclusion of last night's boxing were as follows:—H.Q. Wing, 8; A Company, 17; B Company, 4; C Company, 17; D (M.G.) Company, 8.

MR. BREWER VINDICATED.

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whole, the jury might think they were done to create the situation that the bank was financially substantial. With a small actual cash capital in hand the bank secured premises for over \$200,000 and established itself as a Bank of the first importance in Des Voeux Road. If the jury thought it was part of a scheme to pose before the world as having control of a large business and that this step was taken in accordance with that policy, and that Mr. Brewer knew it, then in that case they would be justified in finding Mr. Brewer guilty of the charge.

The jury retired at 2.40 and returned at 3.45.

The foreman intimated that the jury was unanimous in its verdict which was one of "Guilty."

Foregone Conclusion.

Sentence was suspended until February 3, when Mr. Brewer again addressed the Court, declaring that "from the moment that your Lordship ruled that these transactions were not cash transactions, the verdict was a foregone conclusion because I have never maintained that I have had actual cash. I have maintained that they were, as Mr. Udy puts it, theoretical cash. I believe they were cash by operation of the law. I have never believed them to be factual therefore. If, as a point of law, I was wrong, I cannot plead other than I knew it to be false."

An Enthusiast.

I am a barrister and have a certain enthusiasm for company law. I produced this Statutory Report, not as a document that intended to defraud anybody, but, on the contrary, because I knew it could defraud no-one, but I produced it as an enthusiast in any line of work or profession would produce something new. It was a precedent and, to my mind, one worthy of appearing some day in a text book. Apparently I was wrong, but the Registrar also, while disliking my Statutory Report, believed it to be legal before signing his name to it.

Only Possible Verdict.

Mr. Justice Wood said in part: "You will realise that I have listened with very great patience to what you have said and I will assure you that the facts you have set out so far as they have appeared in the evidence before the jury, I have fully considered. The verdict of 'Guilty' brought in by the jury was their unanimous verdict. It was given after a close and careful consideration of the evidence before them. The trial lasted for four days and they listened carefully to the evidence and everything that was said. I think it is right that I should say here that, having followed the evidence with them, I myself agree fully with the verdict, and that the verdict is the only possible one justified by the evidence."

You have been indicted and you, yourself, realise the gravity of the charge on which you have been convicted and it is my duty to pass a sentence which, it is hoped, will deter you from doing anything of the kind again. It was your ambition to appear as a Director of a Corporation which had a gigantic financial stability and you knew, and no-one knew better, that the Institute Banking Corporation was nothing of the kind. It is a painful duty to pass sentence upon a member of the Bar of this Court. The sentence which I pass upon you is that you be imprisoned for four months without hard labour.

THE RECENT PRISON OUTRAGE.

WARDEN PLUMB NOT YET
FIT TO APPEAR.

A further formal remand for one week was granted by Mr. Williams, at the Central Police Court this morning, in the case in which Chiu Shu-chung, a prisoner of Victoria Gaol, is accused of stabbing Warden Bert Plumb.

Detective Inspector Shannon appeared for the police and said that the prosecution might be able to proceed with the case next week. He was not sure, as the doctor would not give any definite answer as to when Mr. Plumb would be fit to appear. However, as soon as the doctor announced that the complainant would be fit to attend Court, the prosecution would inform his Worship. It was probable that he would be fit by the end of the month.

On being told that there would be a further remand, the defendant asked if the complainant was not yet fit to appear.

His Worship informed him that it was because Mr. Plumb was not fit to appear that another remand was necessary.

VICEROY'S IDEAS

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type might be expected to work, and does not attempt to ignore the objections that may be taken to it, though it contends that "most of these objections are inherent in any attempt to share power."

The question of how elected members of the Government associated with an Official element are to retain their following is unanswered in these words: "They must be able, over the widest possible field that the circumstances permit, to frame a policy in accordance with the views of their supporters. This, in turn, implies that Parliament will be willing to define the purposes for which it would wish to exercise its constitutional right of interference in the policy of the Government of India, and that so long as the policy pursued does not menace the objects which Parliament declares its intention to safeguard, the Government of India would be at liberty to manage affairs of India."

British Safeguards.

The purposes which, it is suggested, His Majesty's Government must safeguard, include defence, foreign relations, internal security, financial objectives, financial stability, protection of the minorities and of the rights of the services by the Secretary of State and the prevention of unfair economic and commercial discrimination.

"The recommendations of the Statutory Commission as to the Provincial constitutions, with which, in general, we agree, represent response to the popular demand for provincial autonomy. They contain, within themselves, a means of increasing adaptation to local circumstances, and the wishes of those who will be charged with the task of working the constitution that the Commission have outlined."

Harmony in Working.

Our proposals for the Centre in amplification of the plan put forward by the Commission have been designed with a double purpose.

On the one hand, we have sought to examine a means by which the relations between the Executive and Legislature can be established on a basis which offers a reasonable chance of harmony in working.

On the other, we have endeavoured to point the way to the action that may now be taken to place upon the constitution the first but not the last impress of "Dominion Status."

It is exactly in this way that each and all the Dominions have attained to constitutional nationhood.

We have drawn what appeared to us the consequential inference that the exercise of the functions for the Government of India which reside in the Crown should be directly devolved upon the Governor-General, and that there should be the power to appropriate the revenues of India.

Individuality.

We think it right to state clearly that if this were done the Government of India would no longer merely be the agent of the Secretary of State. For the first time it would possess a distinct individuality. It would, it is true, be within specified limits under the control of His Majesty's Government, but it is of the essence of our proposals that that control should be such as to establish a partnership in place of subordination.

The Government of India would then be a distinct entity, capable of acting in domestic matters on its own initiative and within the ambit of uncontrolled powers free to pursue its own policy.

Period of Transition.

To the various Dominions and to foreign countries it would occupy a new position which the growing freedom in the conduct of external affairs would promote. That it would not be an entirely independent Government is due to circumstances, internal and external to India which are generally familiar. If it is possible for the Round Table Conference to suggest means by which provision can be made for the period of transition, we would set no artificial or statutory barriers to the natural evolution we desire to see.

We believe that a great part of Indian opinion will be ready to recognise the special interests of Parliament, provided that Great Britain, on her side, is prepared by action to show that she does not falter in her desire to invest India with the constitutional status that she seeks and that her political development appears to us to justify.

States' Attitude.

The authors of the Despatch are of opinion that the time has not yet arrived when the States generally would be prepared to enter into formal Federal relations with British India.—Reuter and British Wireless.

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Heart Hungry

By LAURA LOU BROOKMAN
AUTHOR OF "THE RIGHT GIRL"

BEGIN HERE TO-DAY.

Celia Mitchell, 17, faces a new life when she leaves the home in Baltimore where she has lived with her widowed mother, Margaret Rogers, to join her father, John Mitchell, and her grandmother in a stately New York dwelling.

The girl had not even known her father was living until the day he came to the Baltimore apartment. Celia had supposed Bob Rogers, her mother's second husband, to be dead. Mitchell offers her the start of a life of wealth and immediately settling changes. She leaves her mother, unaware that Mrs. Rogers is seriously ill and she leaves her father, who is a successful young newspaper photographer, who avows that some day he and Celia will be married.

The girl is lovely and fit as a fawn in her new home. Mitchell finds her in tears and is worried. He appeals to Mrs. Parsons, a beautiful widow whose husband has been Mitchell's close friend. Mrs. Parsons agrees to introduce Celia to the right set in New York.

CHAPTER XIX.

Jordan drew the girl quickly toward him. In that swift instant Celia was conscious of the hypnotic gaze that held her. She had no thought of resisting as Jordan's arm pressed close. He bent his head—

"Look at what Eve found!" he cried. "Flowers and it isn't little Juliet out here rehearsing the balcony scene! Come on, everybody, this is a better place to dance than inside."

The others crowded after Eve. Celia had drawn away from Jordan in embarrassment. The young man, entirely undisturbed, remained where he was coolly smiling. Eve Brooks approached him, her eyes sparkling.

"Your turn next," Jordan said casually, and as the radio orchestra again began to play a new blue harmony, the pair moved off in a flash.

"Want to dance?" Jimmie Webster asked Celia.

She didn't want to. What Celia wanted was to slip away where no one could see how her cheeks were burning and ask herself how in the world she had come so near to forgetting herself, forgetting Barney Shields, forgetting everything! She knew Jordan had been about to kiss her. She had not even tried to stop him! The swift reaction was gone and her face a rose.

Nevertheless she was not alone. Jordan was still there, and she could not lead her away to the rhythm of the fox trot. Dancing with Webster was childish, but at last turning and looking at her.

Gradually Celia was able to conquer her confusion. She then with Walter Carr and again with Webster.

Mrs. Parsons had disappeared. Kate Duncan and Courtney Brooks were sitting in the shadows at the far end of the porch. Lili was trying to perform a sailor's hornpipe with coaching from the sidelines.

"Try this one with me," he said. "The orchestra has begun another waltz. She knew Ted Jordan had come up behind her even before he spoke; and she had made up her mind not to dance again with Jordan."

"No, thanks," she said. "I'm just a little tired."

He stood in front of her then so she could not avoid his eyes. Perfectly straightforward his gaze was. One might have thought they had just met.

"Then let's sit over here," he suggested, nodding toward a rattan porch seat in the shadows. "I prefer the moonlight."

thing I want to speak to. Lili about."

Then, with her heart pounding, she hurried away. Celia could not risk coming under Ted Jordan's spell again. His presence made her feel guilty.

She avoided him the rest of the evening. This, she was a bit surprised to learn, was not difficult. Jordan did not even ask her to dance again.

Celia joined Lili and Walter Carr, who was describing his experiences as an amateur airplane pilot. Lili declared she too was going to enter a flying school. Already she had a fund of technical information and asked Carr a great many questions.

The radio programme switched from dance music to a monologue, and someone in disgust turned it off. Jordan had been dancing with Kate Duncan. Now they joined the group.

"Listen," Lili looked up impulsively. "The party's getting stale. I know what let's do—let's go swimming!"

"But Lili!" remonstrated her sister. "It's midnight."

"What if it is? It's only two miles to the club. And there won't be a crowd around. I want a swim! Who else is going?"

Courtney Brooks and Webster were enthusiastic over this idea. There was some discussion and then the two men were off to get cars. Celia Mitchell, who had been listening in alarm, looked about for Mrs. Parsons. She was chatting with Jordan, apparently content to see her guests take entertainment into their own hands.

Celia edged away. When the opportunity came, before the cars had arrived, she touched Mrs. Parsons' arm.

"I think I'll slip upstairs," she said. "It will be all right if I don't go with the others, won't it? I'm really sleepy."

"Just as you wish, of course," said Mrs. Parsons. "A little later from her upstairs room she heard shouts of laughter and then the sound of the cars going down the driveway."

So this was a fashionable house party! The evening had been nothing at all as Celia had imagined it beforehand. She stood by the window a moment looking out at the bright moonlight. Then she came to the dressing table, slipped on her lovely nightgown from her shoulders, and presently was ready for bed.

With her children nestled about her Celia perched on the foot of the bed, feet curled beneath her. She took Barney's letter from her purse and spread out the pages. Then she reread the whole letter carefully.

"Barney!" she whispered softly when she had finished. "Oh, Barney!"

For a long time Celia sat looking at the crumpled envelope. Finally she folded the pages, tucked them away and put the letter again in her purse. After that she turned the light out and slipped into bed.

She lay with her eyes open, staring up at the black ceiling. There was so much in this new world that Celia Mitchell did not understand. She went to sleep at last, but it was not Barney Shields the girl was thinking of as she dropped off to slumber. It was Ted Jordan and that unforgettable moment in the moonlight.

When Celia came downstairs next morning, wearing the little white tennis frock Mrs. Parsons had bought for her, there was no one else in sight.

THE LIMITATION OF ARMAMENTS.

GENEVA COMMISSION HAS OPPOSING OPINIONS.

Geneva, Nov. 13. The Disarmament Commission has resumed the general discussion of methods of limitation of land armaments.

Lord Cecil, on behalf of the British, French and American delegations, submitted a draft resolution, firstly approving of the principle that there should be the fullest possible exchange of information regarding armaments between the parties to the present convention; secondly, recording the Commission's unanimous desire to find a method to provide a limitation of war material in a more precise manner than was possible by publicity alone; thirdly, recognizing that while the majority of the Commission is of opinion regarding land material that the most practical method to secure more precise limitation is by budgetary limitation, other members think a more practicable method is by direct limitation by specific enumeration, and some would like to see a combination of the two methods.—*Reuter*.

Partial Adoption. Later. The Disarmament Commission has adopted, with certain verbal modifications, the first two sections of Lord Cecil's resolution.

The vote on the third section has been postponed to November 14 to enable the British and German to confer regarding verbal modifications.—*Reuter*.

The Annual Drill display of the Five Brigade will take place at 3 p.m. on Wednesday next at the Police Headquarters. Competitions for picking up an invisible person, Despatch Box drill, motor escape drill, irregular means of escape, motor pump drill, etc., will be carried out.

and back again. Over and back. Celia watched, spellbound. She had never seen such skillful tennis playing. At last when the game was finished she waved and came forward.

Lili paused a moment to call a cheerful greeting, and then the set was resumed. Celia sat on a bench at the side of the court and watched.

"Hello!" she looked up. Ted Jordan, looking more bronzed than ever in his white clothes, dropped to the bench beside the girl.

"Good morning!" "I saw you heading this way, and so I followed," he said. "I hope you don't mind."

"Why of course not!" "Oh?—I—er, gathered last night that you didn't care to be friendly."

Celia continued to watch the flying ball.

"I'm sorry you thought that," "Then it isn't true? I mean, you think you might possibly come to like me?"

"I might."

"Enough to turn around right now and smile?"

There was no use. She couldn't pretend to quarrel. Celia didn't want to quarrel with Jordan anyway. She wanted to go on talking, saying little things in a way which meant so much.

The resolves of last night were forgotten. When the tennis players were exhausted and they all walked back to the house together, Celia was addressing Jordan as "Ted."

Mrs. Parsons met them on the porch. "Celia," she said, "I have news for you."

(To Be Continued)

SERIOUS ASSAULT CASE.

A MURDEROUS ATTACK WITH CHOPPER.

The story of how two friends were involved in a serious assault case in which one of them attacked and inflicted three stab wounds on his opponent with a chopper was related to Mr. Williams, at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, when Chan Tat-kun, the assailant and defendant, was sentenced to three months, with the option of a fine of \$150. In addition he was ordered to pay a medical compensation of \$25 to the plaintiff and also to sign a bond of \$50 binding himself to keep the peace for six months.

In outlining the case, the police prosecutor said that both the defendant and complainant, worked at No. 32, Des Voeux Road West, ground floor, occupied by a Chinese drug store and a money-changer's shop. The defendant belonged to the drug store while the complainant was a cook to the money-changer. The two had known one another for some two years, but recently they appeared to be at loggerheads.

On the morning of November 1st, the defendant had reason to beat his nephew, a small boy, and upon the interference of the complainant, who advised him to take a lenient view and cease assaulting the youth, the defendant lost his temper and assaulted his friend with a chopper, which was lying handy on the counter of the drug store.

A Fit of Temper. The defendant admitted attacking his friend adding that he was in a fit of temper and resented the uninvited interference. The complainant, who was unarmed, received three stab wounds.

The owner of the money-changer's shop, who was among the witnesses, said he endeavored to stop the defendant after the latter had stabbed the complainant once. His effort proved unsuccessful and the defendant was able to resume his attack.

The defendant threw down his chopper and dashed to the Wing Lok Wharf, possibly trying to get away from the Police, but he was arrested there.

In passing sentence, Mr. Williams said that while it might have been no business of the plaintiff to stop the defendant from beating his nephew, it was certainly serious for the defendant to use such a dangerous weapon as a chopper, and make a murderous attack.

"THE MIDDLE WATCH."

A.D.C. PRODUCTION BEGINS TO-MORROW.

The stage is set and the players ready for the opening night of the "Middle Watch" on Saturday.

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There is a matinee on Wednesday, the 19th November, and it should be noted that the play is eminently suitable for children to see.

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FATAL MOTOR-CYCLE ACCIDENT.

MISADVENTURE VERDICT RETURNED.

At Kowloon yesterday afternoon, Mr. Butters, sitting with a jury, held an inquiry into the death of an earth cooler, Chan Wing-kong, who met his death as a result of being knocked down by a motor-cycle at the junction of Bulkeley Street and Chatham Road, on October 23.

Mr. J. P. White said that he was driving his motor-cycle about 8.45 p.m. on October 23, along Bulkeley Street, after having left the Kowloon Docks. Miss Williams was his passenger on the pillion. He was a licensed driver, and had been driving since April. When he neared the junction with Chatham Road, he changed into low gear and sounded his horn. As he took the turn, he noticed a man run across the road from the right side to the left. He first saw the man in about the middle of the road. He immediately applied his brakes. He felt something hit him on the left side of his head and shoulders. The cycle wobbled on a few yards and stopped.

He must have hit the man with his head and shoulders. He got off his machine, and went to the place of the accident where he saw the man lying flat on the ground. Witness was travelling at about 15 miles an hour when the accident occurred. His horn was in working order when he turned the corner, but after the accident it went out of order. The place where the accident occurred was very dark.

Dr. Koch testified to the injuries received by the deceased. The chief injury was a fracture to the base of the skull. There were also a number of abrasions on the knees and left ankle. When admitted to the hospital, the deceased was unconscious, and was bleeding from the mouth. His legs and arms were paralysed. The injuries were consistent with his having been knocked down by a motor-cycle.

Pillion Rider's Story. Miss L. Williams, who was riding on the pillion of Mr. White's machine, said that when they turned the corner of Bulkeley Street into Chatham Road, she felt an impact. The cycle wobbled along and stopped. She saw the deceased lying flat on his back on the road. She did not see him being knocked down. Mr. White sounded his horn when he neared the junction. He was travelling at a moderate speed.

Mr. E. H. Marriott said he was following behind on his motor-cycle. When Mr. White turned into Chatham Road, witness saw a man run across the road from the right to the left. He saw Mr. White's machine suddenly jerk, as if the brake had been applied. Witness himself had to swerve to avoid Mr. White's machine, and consequently, did not see what happened. The next thing he saw was Mr. White's machine wobbling across the road and stop. He did not see the man being struck down. Mr. White sounded his horn and so did witness. The place was very dark. Mr. White was travelling about 15 miles an hour.

Sergeant Crim testified to the brakes of the motor-cycle being in good working order. The horn was not in working order, as it had been damaged in the accident. Evidence with regard to identification was given by the wife and son of the deceased.

The jury returned a verdict of "death by misadventure."

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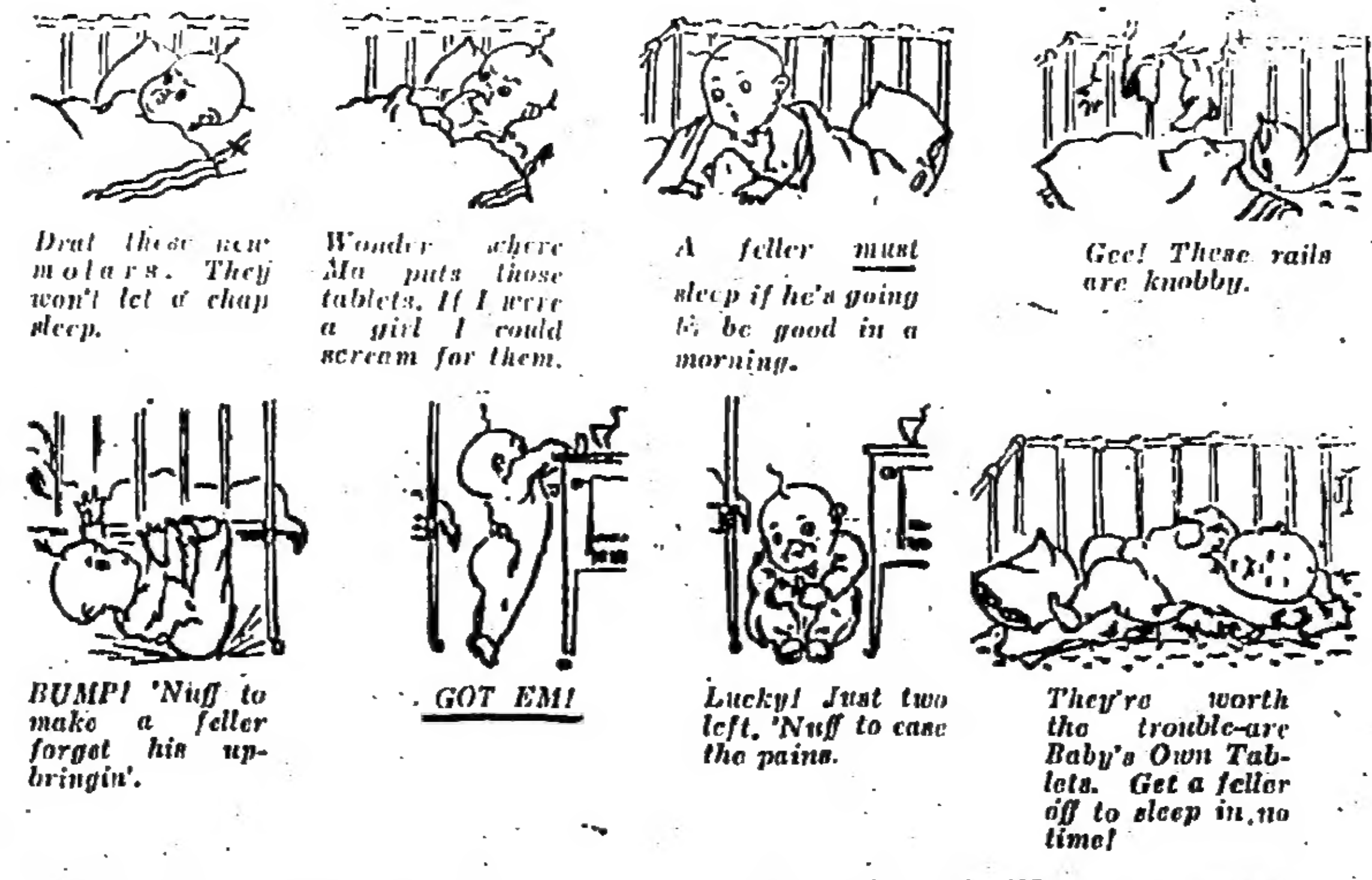
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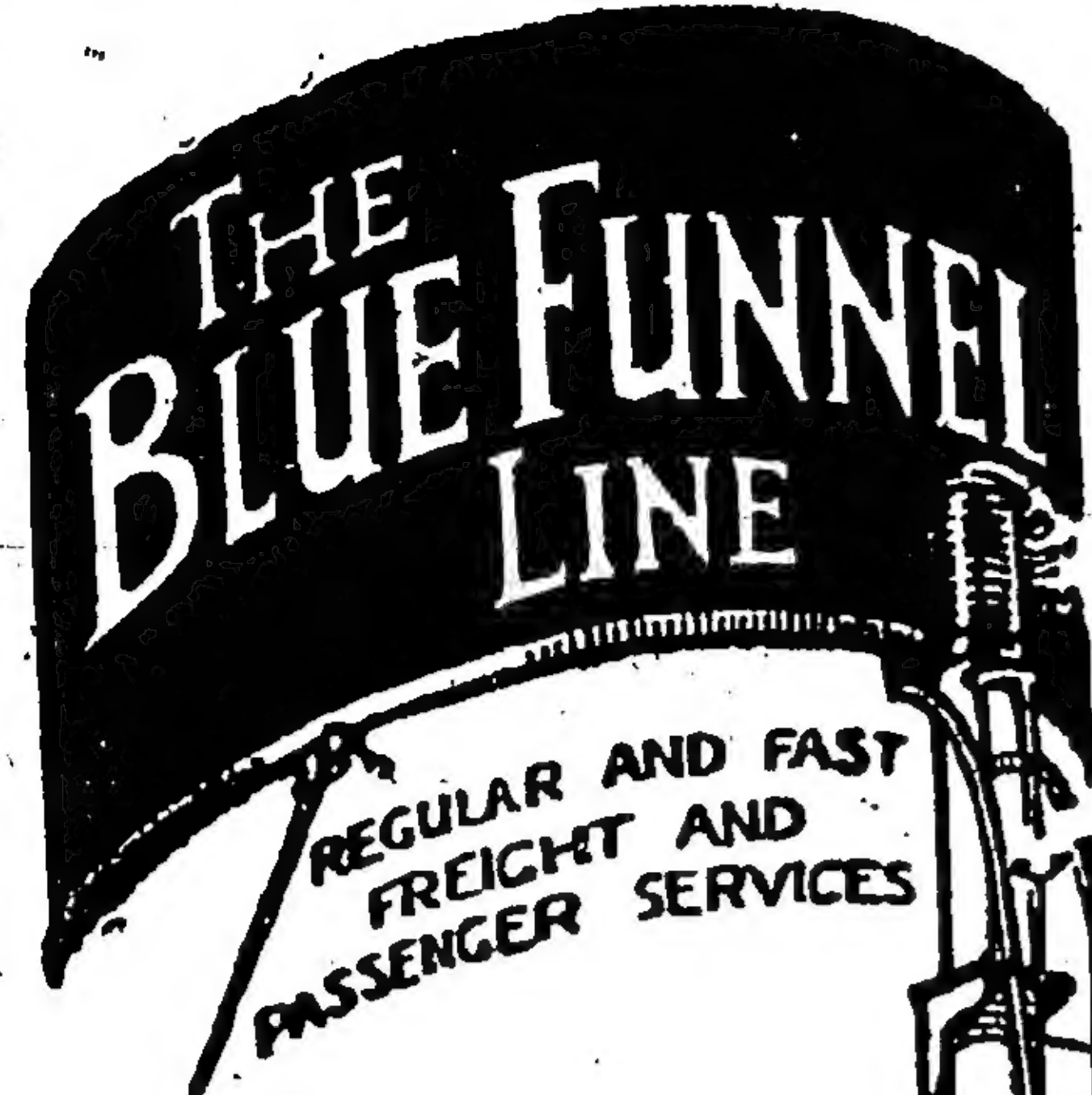
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FUNCTION AT THE PEAK CLUB.

Those who were not at the Peak Club on Wednesday afternoon between 4.30 and 6.30 missed a feast of colour, the opportunity of buying something really artistic and useful, and the pleasure of participation in the happiness of some fifty small girls and boys. The majority of Peak children meet each Friday for three months in every summer for the purpose of working for an annual sale of work in aid of M.C.L. funds. The children foregather always at the house of someone who has ample space both indoors and out and they work for about three quarters of an hour and, after refreshment in the form of a glass of lemon squash and ginger biscuit, proceed to play under the direction of a trained eye and hand. This summer they met at Mrs. Shaw's where, under an indefatigable leader and really hard working helpers, they produced goods such as perhaps have never been made before by children for an M.C.L. function.

The children were divided into classes according to age—older boys with Mrs. Tratman and Miss Jean Mackie; older girls with Mrs. Hills. Mrs. Hutson and Mrs. Foster; younger boys with Mrs. Osborne, Miss Rita Christian and Miss Nancy Parker-Rees; and younger girls with Mrs. Raworth, Miss Joan Beavis and Miss Ainslie Hallifax. Mrs. Ross was responsible for two classes—a younger and an older—of drill and games. Each child paid \$3 towards providing materials and brought a book for a library, run by Mrs. Black, from which each child could take a book on a week. Guided by Mrs. Tratman, the bigger boys and girls stencilled parchment lampshades, cushions, blotters, fruit plate mats, and telephone books; with Mrs. Hills the bigger girls made useful and artistic bags, cushions, tea cosies, blotters and tray cloths; the smaller girls were kept engrossed by Mrs. Raworth on woollen balls, sewing cards, and cutting out and pasting into scrap books, the backs of which with stencilled parchment covers Mrs. Tratman had done by her children. Mrs. Osborne's boys sewed feeders and made Christmas cards. The whole Club assisted in the production of colourful paper baskets which were painted in the Club and decorated with a band of ribbon and with strings of beads made by the children. Mrs. Ferguson, Mrs. Miskin and Mrs. C. C. Black gave willing assistance to any of these good works. Mrs. Hutson supervised the painting of bright pots for flowers. The children's Nurses at the same time every Club day sat and knitted children's woolies and dolls clothes for the sale. Various other ladies contributed dressed dolls.

Wednesday's Array.

The result of this great effort, which the children knew was for the sake of people less fortunate than themselves, was seen in a series of bright stalls set out at the Peak Club on Wednesday afternoon. Rarely has such an array of lovely and useful things been seen at a bazaar. And the whole arrangement of the Club room, the stage and the concentrated effort and artistic sense of Mrs. Tratman and helpers. The raffish too were a striking feature of the display arranged as they were, most alluringly, by Mrs. Raworth. The first prize of the pink ticket raffle.

NO AGREEMENT ON TARIFFS.

BRITAIN PROPOSES SOME ALTERNATIVES.

London, Nov. 13. The Imperial Conference of 1930 has spent six weeks mainly in the study of Imperial economics.

To-day, the heads of the delegations will make a final effort to reach an agreement to improve inter-Imperial trade.

After the Canadian Prime Minister, Mr. Bennett, on October 8 proposed a ten per cent increase in Imperial tariff preferences, a special "committee on economic co-operation" was formed, presided over by Mr. Graham, the president of the Board of Trade, to study every aspect of Imperial economics. The heads of the delegations began to examine this committee's report on November 11.

The closest secrecy is maintained, but it appears that the British Government has definitely rejected Mr. Bennett's proposal, and has submitted alternatives, such as quotas, import boards and bulk purchases. It is generally felt, however, that the Conference will end with different proposals by Britain and the Dominions on record, and that no agreement will be reached on any particular plan.

Gen. Hertzog, the South African Prime Minister, has arranged to sail to-morrow. The whole question of economics is likely to be shelved to a further conference a year or two ahead, and it is suggested this conference should meet in one of the Dominions, possibly Canada. Meanwhile, the present Dominion preferences are to be continued.

This afternoon the heads of the delegations will continue the discussion of foreign policy, which began on November 11, on the basis of a memorandum which Mr. Henderson has circulated to the Dominion delegates, in which the whole field of foreign policy is covered.—*Reuter.*

the doll 'Rio Rita,' whose troupe was the masterpiece of Miss Pamela Scott-Harston, and Mrs. Dees' oil painting, the 2nd prize in the yellow ticket raffle, deserve special mention. Mrs. Hills supplied five trays of sweets which were quickly sold by five dear little girls. The efforts of a heavily veiled Fortune Teller, behind dark mysterious hangings, added to the excitement and to the funds. And a really good bran tub and a lemon squash and ginger biscuit counter provided an interest for the slender purses of the children.

Lady Peel Attends.

Lady Peel attended and stayed for more than two hours. She looked very well in a pale grey fur coat and navy blue hat with a brilliant ornament. Mrs. Shaw wore a French creation of navy georgette in frills and pin tucks and navy felt hat. Mrs. Hallifax looked extremely smart in a tailored grey tweed suit and an emerald green hat. Mrs. Black, who presided at the receipt of custom with her usual graciousness, was in a fashionable black and grey flowered frock with hat to match.

The sale, at which everything was sold except a few menu cards, was followed by an entertainment. This was originally to have been given by the children of the Club but it had to be handed over to the able hands of a few grown-ups because of a slight epidemic on the Peak. Mrs. Snowden-Jones, Mrs. Mather and Mr. Chung Sik Chiu contributed items. Mrs. Snowden-Jones sang most beautiful.

STEAM PROPULSION.

CANADIAN PACIFIC SHOWS ITS EFFICIENCY.

The breaking of the Atlantic record from Liverpool to Montreal by the Canadian Pacific liner *Duchess*, of Bedford, again concentrates attention on the success of these vessels in service, and the proof furnished by recent additions to the Canadian Pacific fleet, both cargo ships and liners, of the continued and increasing efficiency of marine steam propulsion. In view of the latest performance by the *Duchess* of Bedford, it is of interest to recall a speech made by Captain James Gilles, C.B.E. prior to her maiden voyage. Captain Gilles then said that in the *Duchess* vessels a degree of economy in fuel consumption not hitherto approached had been reached, which, when taken in association with the economies effected in weight, space and cost over existing types of steam machinery, fully warranted him in predicting that the new era in steam propulsion had actually arrived.

The next chapter in the story of development had been provided by the *Empress* of Japan. The particulars which were able to publish of this vessel's performance on a voyage from Quebec to Southampton showed an advance of some 12 per cent on the best results achieved by the *Duchess* in class. With such achievements to their credit, it will be appreciated how the Canadian Pacific liners have contributed to the development of steam propulsion and what, for the present at least, will be the final chapter remains to be told when the *Empress* of Britain goes on service.

SIR OTTO NIEMEYER.

RETURNING TO ENGLAND FROM AUSTRALIA.

Sydney, Nov. 13. Sir Otto Niemeyer, who visited Australia on an invitation to advise on financial matters, and whose report was criticised by Labour interests, has left for England.—*Reuter.*

fully, Mrs. Mather showed a talent in her character sketch and recitation which we should be pleased to see more of in Hongkong, and Mr. Chung delighted everyone with the lovely dulcet notes he produced from an ordinary carpenter's saw.

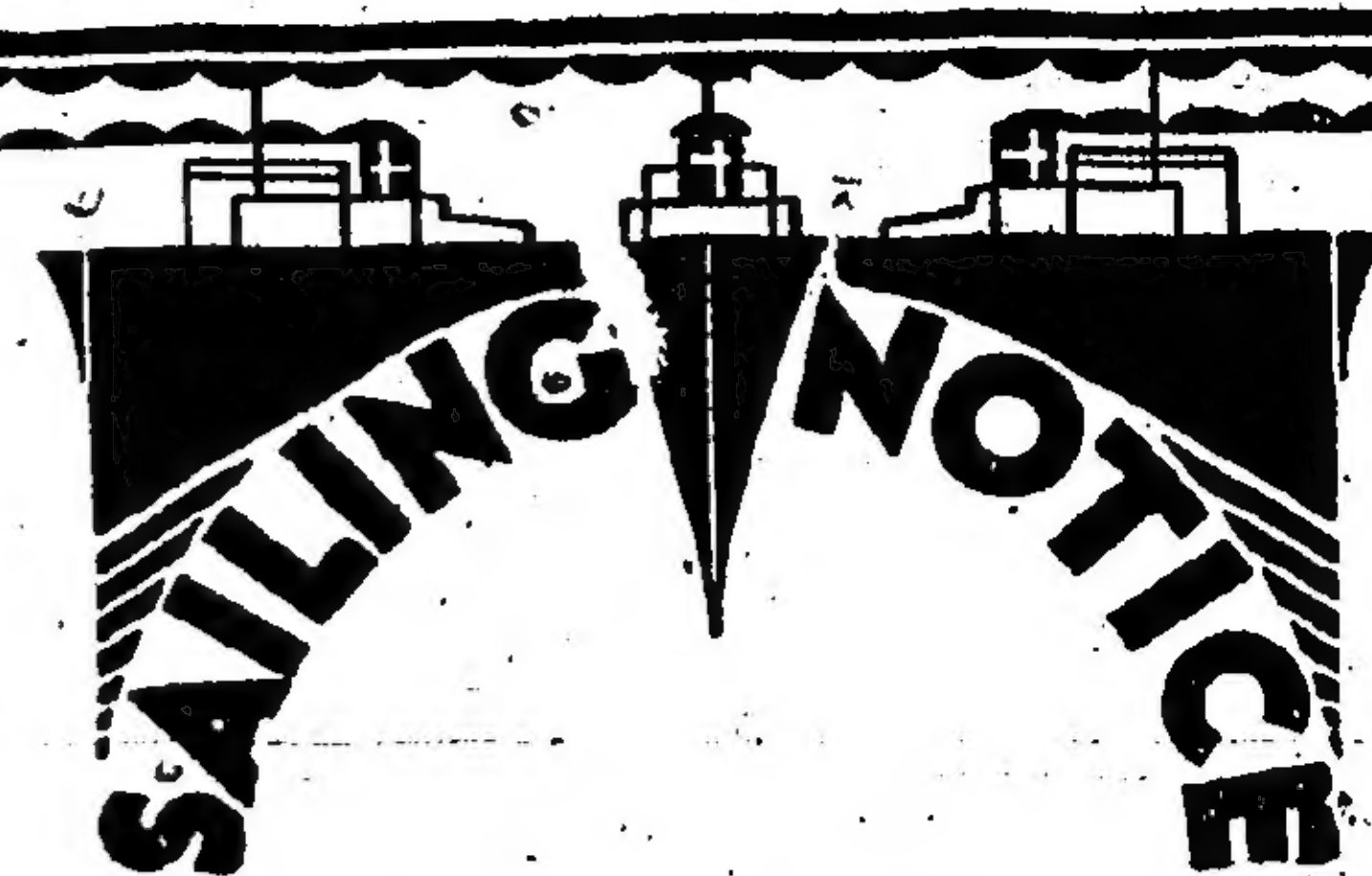
Presentations.

At the end of the programme Lady Peel was asked to make a few presentations. The first was a small gift expressive of the children's affection and admiration for Mrs. Shaw who, as Mrs. Foster said, had been an example to everyone, grown-ups and children alike, of devoted and efficient work for others. Each child was introduced by name to Lady Peel and presented with a fitted pencil box as a reward of really hard work and good temper at all the Club meetings. Mr. Raworth then announced the result of the drawing of the raffles and Lady Peel kindly presented the prizes to those winners who were present.

Cheers were called for Mrs. Shaw and for Lady Peel to whom particular thanks are due for the air of ease and pleasantness which she contributed to this part of the proceedings which was a sort of family gathering at her knee.

The presentation to Lady Peel of a bouquet of gladioli by little Jean Whyte-Smith, who looked very sweet in a long pale pink satin frock, concluded the afternoon very happily. Mrs. Griggs, who had accompanied Mrs. Snowden-Jones' songs, played 'God Save the King'.

It is calculated that a sum of not less than \$600 will thus be handed over to the Honorary Treasurer of the M.C.L.—*Contributed.*



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New York, Nov. 13.
A message from Lima states that martial law in the departments of Junin and Lima, and the dissolution of the General Confederation of Workmen, has been proclaimed following the decision of workers in Lima and Callao to call a general strike.

Two Americans, an Austrian and 12 Peruvians were killed, and 25 persons were wounded, when police and a handful of foreigners tried to effect 1,500 demonstrating copper miners from the region of the mines at Corro de Pasco, belonging to an American concern.

Foreigners are being evacuated from the district. A special train is conveying 350 British and American subjects to Lima but if the efforts of the workers' leaders are successful and the railwaymen go on strike, the train may be stranded.

Two hundred infantry have been despatched to the Corro de Pasco region. The trouble has been brewing since August.—*Reuter's American Service.*

THE EAST AFRICAN
QUESTION.A JOINT COMMITTEE OF
PARLIAMENT.

London, Nov. 13.
The House of Lords, after some discussion, last night agreed to a motion of the Colonial Secretary, Lord Passfield, that a Joint Committee of both Houses should be set up to consider reports on a closer union of East Africa, together with a statement of the Government's conclusions on the matter.

Lord Passfield explained that the Government was not seeking to avoid its proper responsibility, but sought the benefit of the collective opinion of Parliament before deciding a question so important as the constitution for a great territory of Africa.

The Archbishop of Canterbury, during the discussion, expressed the view that the value of the joint committee was that it would help Parliament to decide, at quite a critical time in the history of East Africa, what was the system of government there, to which efforts should be steadily directed, and what was to be the authority that could be trusted to deal justly with all questions affecting the various races.—*British Wireless.*

SIR ROBERT AT HOME.

CAPT. ROBT. DOLLAR AS
GUEST OF HONOUR.

A reception in honour of Captain Robert Dollar was given by Sir Robert and Lady Ho Tung and family at "Idlewild" yesterday afternoon. The guests were received by their host and hostess after which they were introduced to Capt. Dollar. Afterwards tea was partaken of, during which orchestral music was supplied.

Those present were the Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Hallifax, Miss Hallifax, Mr. and Mrs. Jacks, Mr. W. Hornell, Mr. and Mrs. Dyer, Mr. Schantz (Acting American Consul General), Mr. Woodward, (American Trade Commissioner), Major General Sandilands, Capt. Cameron (A.D.C.), Colonel and Mrs. Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Parker, (Standard Oil Co.), Mr. D. M. Biggar, the Hon. Mr. J. R. Bragg, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. De Roza, Mr. T. B. Wilson, Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson, Mr. Waddington, Mr. and Mrs. McCourtney, Mr. and Mrs. Hegarty, Mr. and Mrs. Stewart, Mr. and Mrs. Taggart, Mr. and Mrs. Little, Mr. and Mrs. Lauder, Mr. F. C. Hall, Dr. and Mrs. Ware, Hon. Sir Shou-ann and Lady Chow, Hon. Mr. and Mrs. Kotewall, Hon. Dr. Tao, Mr. Li Yick-mui, Mr. Chan Heung-pak, Mr. Chan U-leng, Mr. Li Yau-tsun, Mr. Li Sing-kiu, Mr. Lam Woo, Mr. Li Yik-lung, Mr. Professor Chung Wing-kwong, Mr. Chan Lim-pak, Mr. Kwok Siu-lau, Mr. Li Cheung-shiu, Mr. and Mrs. Li Tso-fong, Mr. T. N. Chau, Mr. Leung Pat-yue, Mr. and Mrs. Ho Kom-tong, Mr. Lui Chop-sun (Dollar Line Commodore), Mr. O. G. Steen (Asst. Gen. Manager Robert Dollar Co.), Mr. and Mrs. C. P. F. James (Asst. Gen. Agent at Hongkong), Mr. H. Thompson (Captain Dollar's Secretary), Mr. W. Goff, Mr. E. Dewstoe, Mr. Ma Ying-piu, Mr. Li Sing-tong, Mr. Chan Foo-chang, Mr. Li Sing-tong, Dr. Hahn, (German Consul), M. De La Prade, (French Consul), The Portuguese Consul, Mr. and Mrs. Yoshida (Japanese Consul), Mr. and Mrs. Mogaschi, (Vice-Consul for Peru), Mr. Yamato, N.Y.K. Mr. and Mrs. Abe, M.B.K. Mr. A. H. White, Douglas S. S. Co. Hon. Dr. and Mrs. Wellington, Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Stone, Mr. and Mrs. J. D. Bush, Mr. and Mrs. Bagram, Mr. Kuo Tung-po, Mr. Chan Mun-tung, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Pratt, Mr. and Mrs. Mori, Mr. Geare, Mr. Sum Pak-ming, Mr. Tang Chi-agon and Mr. Tang Shu-kin.

ENDURANCE FLIERS
COME TO EARTH.MACHINE CRASHES BUT
NO-ONE KILLED.

New York, Nov. 13.
It is reported that an aeroplane in which Captain John Donaldson and Mr. Edward Weiner had started an endurance flight yesterday, has crashed in flames on the outskirts of Brooklyn.
Both aviators escaped death, though Weiner was injured.—*Reuter's American Service.*

A NEW BISHOP.

PICTURESQUE CONSECRA-
TION AT SHIUCHOW.

On Sunday last at Shiuchow, in Northern Kwangtung, Mgr. Kanzei, of the Salesian Society, was consecrated Bishop to take the place of the martyred Bishop Versiglia as Vicar Apostolic of Shiuchow.

Shiuchow is at present the terminus of the Canton-Hankow Railway and is situated on the banks of the North River, in a beautiful locality about two hundred miles above Canton. Shiuchow is a historic spot, for here are the remains of the house and Church where Father Ricci and his companions laboured before he went north. Here also on a neighbouring hillside are the graves of a French Bishop and a priest of the Paris Foreign Missions Society, dating from the early part of the eighteenth century.

The large party of Bishops and other Ecclesiastics, of fifteen different nationalities and five different religious congregations, together with lay folk who travelled to Shiuchow for the consecration of Mgr. Kanzei, did so not merely to honour the zealous and energetic Salesian priest who was that day to receive the plenitude of the Sacerdotal power and dignity, but also to do homage to the memory of the saintly prelate who with one of his young priests, Fr. Canario, was brutally done to death by bandits last February.

Notable Churchmen.

The consecration was performed by His Excellency the Apostolic Delegate of China, Mgr. Celso Constantini, assisted by the two Bishops Mgr. Tau (one of the six Chinese Bishops consecrated by His Holiness the Pope a few years ago) and Mgr. Fourquet, Vicar Apostolic of Canton. Also present were Mgr. Valoria, Vicar Apostolic of Hongkong, and Mgr. Walsh, Vicar Apostolic of Kowloon. Among the other Ecclesiastics were Fr. MacGillivuddy, Mgr. O'Shea of Kiangai, Fr. Bragg (Provincial of the Salesian Fathers), Fr. Bernardini, Superior of the St. Louis Industrial School, (Hongkong), Dom Albert Greenlight, the distinguished Benedictine Architect, whose work in China is already famous, and representatives of various missionary units. The guests were housed in the fine Mission quarters beside the Cathedral. The bands of the St. Louis Industrial School, Hongkong, and the Immaculate Conception School, Macao, travelled up and provided excellent music for all parts of the function.

The Ceremony.

The ceremony was held in the Cathedral and was attended by the representative of the Kwangtung Provincial Government, the Magistrate of Shiuchow and his wife, the officer commanding the troops of Shiuchow, Mr. Tang (Secretary of the Chairman of the Kwangtung Provincial Government), Mr. Tang of the Chinese Maritime Customs, and other prominent local laymen, together with representative bodies of Chinese lay folk from all parts of the Vicariate of Shiuchow. The Church was not large enough to contain the crowd which thronged to see the ceremony with its gorgeous solemnity.

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ritual followed exactly the Roman Pontifical as in some far off European Cathedral. A hierarchy of ceremonial parts from the Papal representative down to the boy acolytes and pages, each with its peculiar robes, made a colourful scene of artistic grouping, combined with the reverential deportment that is such a feature of the Church's ceremonies.

During the Pontifical High Mass celebrated by the Consecrator, the Apostolic Delegate, and before the offertory there were the anointing of the head and hands of the elected Bishop, the blessing and giving of the Crozier and Ring and the giving of the Book of the Gospels. Later came the Kiss of Peace, the offering of two loaves, two vessels of wine and two wax torches by the newly consecrated Bishop to his Consecrator. And so on throughout the Mass, with complicated ritual and prayer and hymns of joy and thanksgiving.

Speeches at Luncheon.

At the luncheon afterwards, His Excellency the Apostolic Delegate spoke feelingly of the late Mgr. Versiglia, the work of the sons of the Blessed Don Bosco and of the high qualities of the newly consecrated Bishop.

The representative of the Kwangtung Provincial Government in congratulating Mgr. Kanzei spoke of his experience of the unequalled zeal and self-sacrifice of the Catholic missionaries and of their efforts in the cause of education and all kinds of charitable work.

Other speakers followed and all extolled the virtues of Mgr. Versiglia and those of his worthy successor and brother in the great family of the Salesian Society.

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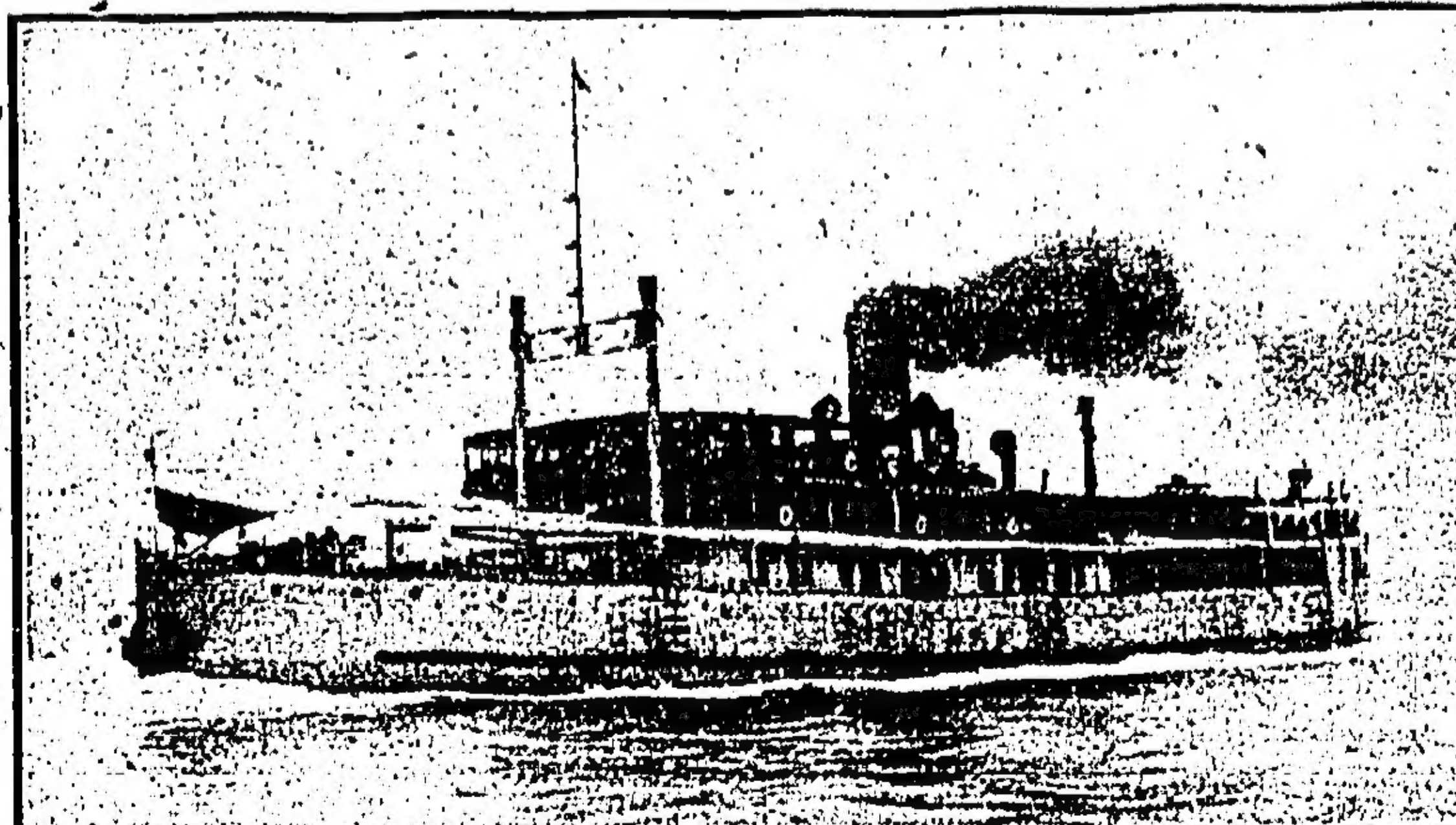
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AT WEST POINT.

RESCUE OF A CHILD.

The Western District was again the scene of what threatened to develop into a serious conflagration during the early hours of this morning, but, owing to the timely arrival of the Fire Brigade and the fact that the building involved was a concrete structure, the outbreak was subdued without any material damage to the building. The contents, however, suffered severely from fire and water.

The premises involved was 121, Belcher Street, the ground floor of which was occupied by the Po On Tong medicine dealer, while the first floor was used as an ordinary Chinese tenement house, with the top storey vacant.

The alarm was raised shortly after one o'clock this morning, and by 1.25 a.m. a call was put through to the Central Fire Station although an earlier message had already been sent to the Kennedy Town Brigade which arrived on the scene to find the contents of the ground floor well alight.

Of such an inflammable nature were the contents that within a short period the drugs and fittings of the shop were almost completely destroyed. It took the Fire Brigade but half an hour to gain control of the flames and at 1.50 a.m. the outbreak was well in hand.

The greater part of the damage on the ground floor was caused by the fire, but the flames left the upper floors practically untouched, although the property on the first floor suffered some what from the water that was being continuously poured into the burning building.

When the alarm was being raised and the inmates were making their escape, it was suddenly realised that a child had been left behind on the first floor, and two European sergeants, who were among the first to arrive, ascended the stairs and brought the child safely to the roadway.

It is thought that the employees of the medicine shop had been drying herbs overnight and that a spark from a chatty had set the premises alight whilst everybody was in bed.

The total amount of the damage is not known.

FRESH TROUBLE IN HUNAN.

TWO REGIMENTS DISARMED
ON FRONTIER.

Shanghai, Nov. 13. The disarmament of two Hunanese Regiments under General Ho Chien (the Military Governor of Hunan) at Liling, on the Hunan-Kiangsi frontier, by the 60th Nationalist Division, (Kwang-tung) on Wednesday morning, has caused considerable tension. The motive is not disclosed.

It is stated that representatives of the various Hunan bodies petitioned the Fourth Kuomintang Plenary Session to remove Ho Chien from the Chairmanship of Hunan and it is quite possible that General Tse Ting-kai, officer commanding the 60th Nationalist Division, had received instructions from Nanking to act at Liling, which is near Changsha.

News of the Liling coup has caused a sensation at Changsha, where the military are maintaining an attitude of preparedness for war, resulting in all communication between Wuhan and Changsha being interrupted. The Ho Chien regiments are falling back to Changsha for concentration.

LICENSING BOARD SESSIONS.

POLICE OBJECTION TO TOO MANY BARS.

CASES HELD OVER.

The annual sessions of the Licensing Board were held in the Council Chamber this morning, when the following list of applications was made:

Publicans' Licences.—A. K. Dimond, Republic Bay Hotel; P. I. Newman, Hongkong Hotel; C. G. Conley, Peninsula Hotel; I. L. Goldenberg, Palace Hotel; H. J. White, Kowloon Hotel.

Publicans' Licences without Bar.—J. Hund, St. Francis Hotel; D. M. Goodall, Lane, Crawford's Restaurant; A. Leonir, Hing-kee, Hotel Savoy.

Hotel Keepers' Adjunct Licences.—Miss H. A. Harry, Peak Hotel; Mrs. A. B. Sanderson Smith, Station Hotel; Mrs. Y. Kobayashi, Tokyo Hotel; I. Seki, Chitose Hotel; Mrs. Y. Miyajima, Seuhro Hotel; Junkuro Morita, Chitose Kwan Hotel; Ma Tzu-nam and Fung-Pak-ing, Empress Hotel; Li Sun, Tung Shan Hotel; Tsai Kam-hung, Hotel Asia; Chan Cheuk-wan, The Great China Hotel; Y. Tung Kam-wai, Moe Chow Hotel; Mrs. Raku Akiyoshi, Fukuzumi Hotel; Ikuzo Nomura, Shekudoraku Hotel; Leung Lai-wang, Hotel Nathan.

Restaurant Keepers' Adjunct Licences.—Mrs. J. Yamakawa, Yamakawa Hotel; K. S. Hulse, Cafe Alexandra; Huen Sik-ye, The South China Restaurant; Yu Man-cho, Queen's Cafeteria; Chan Wing, Ka Ping; Mrs. Kato Suya, Asahi Beer Hall; P. K. Leung, The Prince's Cafe; J. D. Bush, South China Cold Storage Co., Ltd.; Ichizo Yasuda, Ginmatsu; Kujiro Suhara, Tok-yon; Mrs. Sandoke Akiyoshi, Kunka.

Police Objections. These were all granted with the exception of the Suchiro, the Chitose Kwan, Fukuzumi and Shekudoraku Hotels, Ginmatsu, Toy-yon and the Kunka, all of which were held over.

The police objected to the granting of licences to the first-named as there was no accommodation for boarders, but the Board asked for further information on this point and adjourned the application.

Objection was made to the Chinese Kwan Hotel on account of the licensee being fined \$50 for selling liquor without meals on August 7 and because of lack of accommodation for lodgers. This also was held over for additional information, and a strict caution made in respect of conducting the premises.

The remaining five applications were adjourned for further details regarding accommodation. Regarding the police objection to the last three applications, that there were too many Japanese drinking houses in Wanchai and Tsim Tsai-shui, and that the granting of further licences would be going back twenty years to the time of public bars, which the Government had put a stop to, the Board asked for more information on the point, and for the present number of houses in the vicinity.

The Hon. Mr. E. R. Hallifax presided, and members present were:—Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes, Messrs. C. G. Alabaster, C. D. Melbourne, H. B. L. Dowbiggin, J. A. Plummer, Dr. W. V. M. Koch and Mr. E. H. Williams (Secretary).

FAIR WEATHER.

The Royal Observatory reports that the anticyclone remains to the east of Shanghai. Another has developed to the north of Shantung. Fresh monsoon will prevail along the south-east coast of China and over the N. China Sea. The local forecast is:—N.E. winds, fresh; fair.

WORKER CHARGES EUROPEAN.

ASSAULT CASE DISMISSED
AT KOWLOON.

SOLATIUM ORDER.

Mr. W. Tansley, a supervisor in the employ of Reiss, Massey & Company, was the defendant in a case before Mr. Butters, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, when he was charged with having assaulted a workman at the Cathay Pencil Company's premises yesterday.

Sergeant Slater, outlining the case, said the defendant came to the station yesterday morning and said that he had assaulted one of the workmen. He was the supervisor at the premises, and he asked the workman in question to do a certain piece of work, which he refused to do, but assumed a threatening attitude and attempted to pick up a tool. The defendant, however, anticipated him and struck him on the face.

The complainant, Ng Kwong, a fitter of the Sun Chai shop, said he was instructed by his master to go to the Cathay Pencil Company's premises, and remove some piping. He went there yesterday morning, and saw the defendant, who gave him instructions to bore two holes to fit a heater. After boring the holes, witness suggested to the defendant that he should fit the heater first. The defendant then told him to bore the holes first. He replied that he had done so, whereupon, the defendant started hitting him on his head. He fell down and the defendant kicked him. Witness asked defendant to accompany him to the Police Station, but he refused to do so. Witness went to the station himself and made a complaint.

Replying to questions by the defendant, witness said he did not refuse to do the work which the defendant allotted him to do. He had never seen the defendant before. He denied having made an attempt to seize a tool with which to strike the defendant. He also denied having made an admission to the police that he had been employed by the defendant before.

Lei Koo, complainant's solicitor, gave corroborative evidence.

Defendant said the complainant did not do a certain piece of work which he asked him to do. Witness therefore, dismissed the complainant and demanded his pass. The complainant refused to hand over his pass, and, assuming a threatening attitude, he attempted to seize hold of a wrench with which to strike him. Witness thereupon hit the defendant, but he did not kick him. The complainant had worked under him two years ago, when he was supervisor at the Prince Edward Hotel, and the complainant had formed a gang to oust him from his job. He refused to go with the complainant to the Police Station, but said he would go himself later.

Mr. Butters discharged the defendant, but ordered him to pay \$3 damages to the complainant.

GERMAN AND ITALIAN FASCISTS.

MUSSOLINI JOINS IN
BACK-PATTING.

Rome, Nov. 13. Roman Fascists and German National Socialists fraternised to-day on the occasion of a reception given by Signor Mussolini to a party of the Steel Helmets organisation, who are touring the country.

The speakers patted one another on the back for their efforts against Liberalism and Marxism. The leader of the Steel Helmets apologised for not yet having learned Italian, but Signor Mussolini addressed them in German and expressed the hope that they would give the life to all false stories about political, moral and economic conditions in Italy. — Reuter.

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